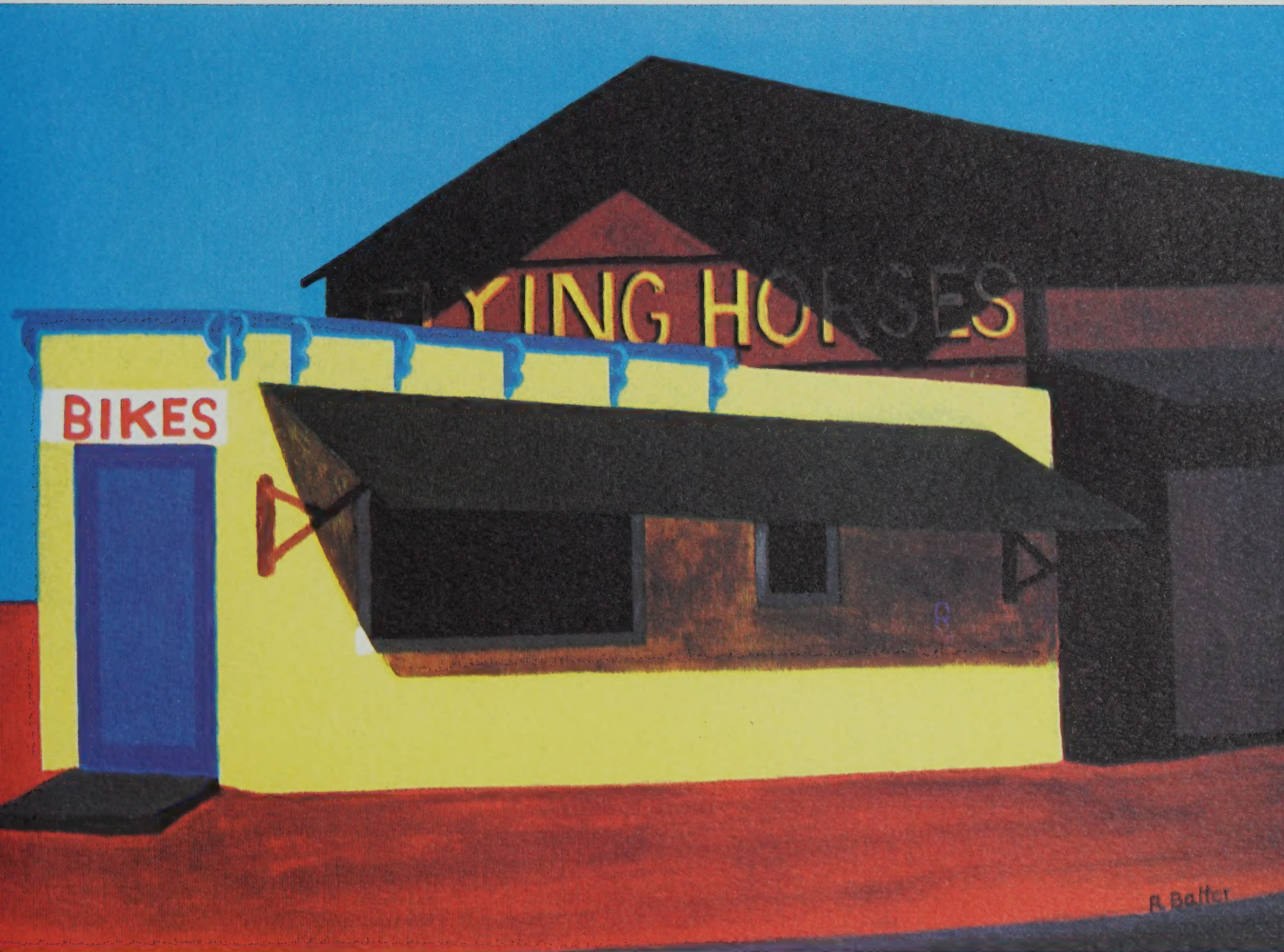


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TOWN OF  
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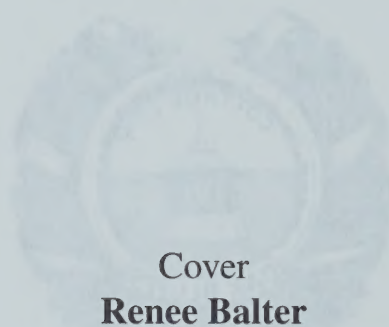
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of the  
**TOWN OF**  
**OAK BLUFFS**



**For the Year Ending December 31, 2006**

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**In Recognition of  
51 years of dedicated service  
to the  
Town of Oak Bluffs**



**Fire Chief Dennis P. Alley**



# IN MEMORIAM

We respectfully remember those citizens who gave of themselves and  
their talents to serve Oak Bluffs.

**DOUGLAS ABDELNOUR, SR.**

Wastewater Study Committee

Harbor Advisory Committee

Planning Board

**MELVIN C. DEBETTENCOURT**

Finance and Advisory Committee

**ELLA G. JEPSON**

Council on Aging

**VARNUM MEAD**

Wastewater Facilities Planning Group

**CAROLINE RHEAULT**

Trails and Byways Committee

**ROBERT C. SCHNETKE**

Finance and Advisory Committee

Personnel Board

**WILLIAM J. SHAY**

Martha's Vineyard Commission

Regional Landfill Committee

**NATHANIEL STEVENS**

Blue Ribbon Committee

**GEORGE L. WEY**

Building Inspector



# 2006

## STATE OFFICIALS

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### U. S. Senator

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### **County Commissioners**

John S. Alley - West Tisbury (08)  
Leslie Leland - West Tisbury (10)  
Paul A. Strauss - Oak Bluffs (10)  
Roger W. Wey - Oak Bluffs (08)  
Leonard Jason, Jr. - Chilmark (08)  
Nelson W. Smith - Edgartown (10)  
Carlene Gating - Edgartown (10)

### **County Charter Commissioners**

Timothy K. Connelly - Edgartown  
Mimi Davisson - Oak Bluffs  
Arthur Edward Flathers - Tisbury  
Daniel A. Flynn - Oak Bluffs  
Richard R. Knabel - West Tisbury  
Patricia W. Moore - West Tisbury  
Nora M. Nevin - Tisbury  
James Newman - Aquinnah  
William F. O'Brien III - Oak Bluffs  
Linda Bauer Sibley - West Tisbury  
Ted Stanley - West Tisbury  
Woodrow W. Williams - Tisbury  
Tad Crawford - West Tisbury  
Jeff Kristal - Tisbury  
Holly Stephenson - Tisbury

# TOWN OFFICERS

## TOWN OFFICERS 2006

	Term Expires
<b>Moderator</b>	
David F. Richardson	2006
<b>Members of the Board of Selectman</b>	
Roger W. Wey	2009
Gregory Coogan	2009
Duncan Ross, Chairman	2008
Ronald L. DiOrio	2008
Michael McKee Dutton (Resigned)	2008
Kerry F. Scott	2007
<b>Town Clerk</b>	
Deborah deB. Ratcliff	2008
<b>Collector of Taxes and Collector of Accounts</b>	
Cheryll A. Sashin	2007
<b>Members of the Board of Health</b>	
William White	2009
Patricia Bergeron	2008
Linda Marinelli, Chairman	2007
<b>Park Commissioners</b>	
Allan A. deBettencourt	2009
Michael Marchand	2008
Richard Combra, Jr.	2007
<b>Cemetery Commissioners</b>	
Jesse B. Law III, Chairman	2009
Melanie M. Bilodeau	2008
James Maseda	2007
<b>Constables</b>	
David Oliveira	2007
Richard Mavro	2007
<b>Tree Warden</b>	
Joseph M. deBettencourt	2009
<b>School Committee</b>	
Judith Ann O'Donoghue	2009
Priscilla L. Sylvia	2008
David E. Morris, Jr.	2007

### **Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission**

Priscilla L. Sylvia	2007
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### **Member of the Martha's Vineyard Commission**

Mimi Davisson	2008
Richard J. Toole	2008

### **Finance and Advisory Committee**

Peter Palches	2009
Frank H. Case III	2009
Mimi Davisson	2009
Adam Wilson	2008
Kyle C. Fiore (Resigned)	2008
Michael Perry	2008
Joseph Alosso	2008
Linda Marinelli	2007
Thad Harshbarger	2007
Arthur W. McGrath, Jr.	2007

### **Planning Board**

Erik Albert	2011
Kyle Fiore	2010
John C. Bradford, Chairman	2009
David Wessling	2008
James Westervelt	2007

### **Wastewater Commission**

Susan M. Desmarais (Resigned)	2009
Richard D. Combra	2008
Robert A. Iadicicco	2007
Jan von Steiger (Appointed)	2007

## **WATER DISTRICT OFFICERS 2006**

### **Moderator**

Duncan Ross	2007
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### **Commissioners**

Kevin H. Johnson	2009
Raymond J. Moreis, Jr.	2008
Michael S. deBettencourt	2007

# APPOINTMENTS

## January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006

<b>Town Administrator</b>		
Michael M. Dutton		June 30, 2009
M. Casey Sharpe		Resigned
<b>Assistant Town Accountant</b>		
Karen Gomez		June 30, 2008
<b>Affordable Housing Committee</b>		
Harvey Beth		Open Ended
John Bradford		Open Ended
Ronald DiOrio		Open Ended
Michael Dutton		Resigned
James Rankin		Open Ended
Priscilla Sylvia		Open Ended
<b>Animal Control Officer</b>		
Steven Connolly		Open Ended
<b>Assistant Animal Control Officer</b>		
Christopher Oteri		Open Ended
<b>Board of Assessors</b>		
Marie B. Allen		June 30, 2009
Melanie M. Bilodeau		June 30, 2009
Jesse B. Law, III		June 30, 2009
M. Casey Sharpe		Resigned
<b>Cape Light Compact</b>		
Alice Ryan Butler		June 30, 2007
<b>Director of Emergency Management</b>		
Peter M. Martell		June 30, 2007
<b>Community Development Council</b>		
Sally L. Appenzellar		June 30, 2008
Rene Balter		June 30, 2008
Nancy F. Phillips		June 30, 2008
Iona Pressley		June 30, 2008
Paul A. Strauss		June 30, 2008
Priscilla Sylvia		June 30, 2008
Richard Westcott		June 30, 2007
James Westervelt		June 30, 2008
<b>Community Preservation Act Commission</b>		
Harvey Beth		June 30, 2008
Allan DeBettencourt		June 30, 2007
Stephen Durkee		June 30, 2007
Joan Hughes		June 30, 2008
Peter Martell		June 30, 2009

Charles Rock	June 30, 2007
Cheryll Sashin	June 30, 2006
Alison Shaw	June 30, 2008
David Wessling	June 30, 2006

#### **Conservation Commission**

John M. Boardman	June 30, 2009
John Breckenridge	June 30, 2009
Robert Ford	June 30, 2007
Joan Hughes	June 30, 2007
Caleb Nicholson	June 30, 2009
Paul A. Strauss	June 30, 2008

#### **Copeland Plan District Review Board**

Renee Balter	Open Ended
Injy Farak Lew	Open Ended
Ann Margetson	Open Ended
Ronald H. Mechur	Open Ended
Robyn B. Nash	Open Ended
Kerry Scott	Open Ended
Judy Shemit	Open Ended
Patricia Wallace	Open Ended
David Wessling	Open Ended
Barbara Whitmore	Open Ended

#### **Cottage City Historical Commission**

Renee Balter	June 30, 2009
Barbara Baskin	June 30, 2009
James N. C. Brown	June 30, 2008
Kathleen A. Burton	June 30, 2008
M. Elizabeth Cornell	June 30, 2008
Pamela Melrose	June 30, 2008
David Wessling	June 30, 2007
S. David Wilson	June 30, 2007
Alison Shaw, Alternate	
Priscilla Sylvia, Alternate	

#### **Council on Aging**

Diane Ball	June 30, 2009
Glenna Barkan	June 30, 2009
Patricia M. Dorsey	June 30, 2006
Linda Marinelli	June 30, 2009
James McLauren	June 30, 2007
Dianne Wilson	June 30, 2007

#### **Town Counsel**

Ronald H. Rappaport	Open Ended
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#### **Dukes County Regional Housing Authority**

Harvey Beth	Open Ended
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#### **Finance Director**

Paul Manzi	June 30, 2008
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#### **Fire Chief**

Dennis P. Alley	June 30, 2007
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Barry Bissaillon	<b>Fire Inspector</b>	June 30, 2009
	<b>Gas Inspector</b>	
Michael Jackson		June 30, 2008
Francis Kuszewski		June 30, 2008
<b>Harbor Management Committee</b>		
Rene BenDavid		June 30, 2008
James J. Dorsey		June 30, 2008
Barbara A. Gibson		June 30, 2008
Stephen Morris		June 30, 2009
David Pothier		June 30, 2008
Frederic A. Sonnenberg		June 30, 2008
<b>Harbormaster</b>		
Todd Alexander		Open Ended
<b>Assistant Harbormaster</b>		
David Grunden		Open Ended
<b>Herring Run Committee</b>		
David Grunden		Open Ended
Deacon Perotta		Open Ended
<b>Historical Committee</b>		
Renee Balter		June 30, 2007
Joan Desautelle		June 30, 2007
Pamela Melrose		June 30, 2007
Alison Shaw		June 30, 2007
Priscilla L. Sylvia		June 30, 2007
Susan E. Thompson		June 30, 2007
S. David Wilson		June 30, 2007
<b>Inspector of Buildings and Zoning</b>		
Jerry Wiener		June 30, 2008
<b>Joint Transportation Committee</b>		
Richard Combra, Jr.		
<b>Inspector of Wiring</b>		
Peter Dawley		Open Ended
<b>Library Board of Trustees</b>		
Karen Achilles		June 30, 2009
Richard Ball		June 30, 2009
Robert Ford		June 30, 2009
Beatrice J. Green		June 30, 2009
Ann Ross		June 30, 2008
S. David Wilson		June 30, 2006
<b>Martha's Vineyard Commission</b>		
John R. Breckenridge		December 31, 2007
Deborah Pigeon		December 31, 2006
Richard Toole		December 31, 2008
Mimi Davisson		December 31, 2008
<b>Martha's Vineyard Steamship Authority Port Council</b>		
Robert V. Huss		December 31, 2009

**Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Advisory Committee**

Polly Bassett	Open Ended
John Campbell	Open Ended
Richard F. Coutinho	Open Ended
Elizabeth D. Durkee	Open Ended
Robert Hammett	Open Ended
Ann Margetson	Open Ended

**Martha's Vineyard Regional Transit Authority**

Alice Ryan Butler	June 30, 2007
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**Ocean Park Committee**

Gail M. Barmakian	Open Ended
Nancy Billings	Open Ended
Richard Combra, Jr.	Open Ended
Allan A. deBettencourt	Open Ended
Michael S. deBettencourt	Open Ended
Joan Hughes	Open Ended
John W. Leite, III	Open Ended
Priscilla L. Sylvia	Open Ended
Judith Williamson	Open Ended

**Park Commissioners**

Richard Combra, Jr.	April, 2007
Allan deBettencourt	April, 2009
Michael Marchand	April, 2005

**Personnel Board**

Mimi Davisson	June 30, 2006
Carl Green	June 30, 2006
John Lolley	June 30, 2008

**Plumbing Inspector**

Francis Kuszewski	June 30, 2008
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**Chief of Police**

Erik G. Blake	June 30, 2008
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**Board of Registrars**

Kathryn P. Collins	June 30, 2008
Deborah deB Ratcliff	Open Ended
Patricia A. Ingalls	June 30, 2009
Katherine G. Manning	Resigned
Margaret A. Stafursky	June 30, 2007

**Resident Homesite Committee**

Harvey Beth	June 30, 2007
Anthony Ferreira	June 30, 2007
Brian P. Hughes	June 30, 2007
Jesse B. Law	June 30, 2007
James Rankin	June 30, 2007

**Shellfish Committee**

John M. Gibson	June 30, 2009
Paul Humber	June 30, 2009

Mark G. Landers	June 30, 2009
Joseph Leonardo, III	June 30, 2009
Raymond Moreis, Jr.	June 30, 2009
Earl V. Peters	June 30, 2009

**Shellfish Constable**

David W. Grunden	June 30, 2009
Peter Estrella	

**Sign Review Committee**

John Bradford  
Richard Combra, Jr.  
Alan J. Schweikert  
Alison Shaw  
Joseph Uranker

**Town Treasurer**

Paul Manzi	Open Ended
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**Assistant Town Treasurer**

Sharon Jackson	September 20, 2008
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**Veteran's Agent**

JoAnn Murphy	Open Ended
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**Zoning Board of Appeals**

Gail M. Barmakan	June 30, 2009
Kris Chvatal	June 30, 2007
Jane E. Lofgren	June 30, 2009
Joseph Re, Alternate	June 30, 2009
Christine Todd,	Resigned
Nicholas Trentacost	June 30, 2009
Michael Underwood	June 30, 2009
George Warren, Alternate	June 30, 2009

# GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Greetings to the citizens and part time residents of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

This year brought about some significant changes to the town. The implementation of monthly staff meetings of Department heads helped to promote interdepartmental communication. Our previous Town Administrator, Casey Sharpe, moved on to other endeavors and former Selectman Michael Dutton was hired as her successor. We thank Casey and Michael for all they did for the town and welcome Michael in his new position and wish him well with all the challenges and accomplishments that will come his way.

The vacancy created by Selectmen Dutton's move brought us a special election in August and the voters elected Ron DiOrio to the Board of Selectmen. We welcome him and his insight.

We experienced a rather inhumane attack on the town from the Humane Society in regard to one of our Shark Tournaments. The town's "e-mail" was jammed with tens of thousands of "e-mails" (and the selectmen's home answering machines were jammed with voice mails) from people who not only had never been here but had no idea of where we are or what fishing is.

On a more positive note the Police Department moved into renovated space in the Everett Rogers Municipal Building, while the Town plans for a more permanent home for them.

They now have the room they need to more efficiently continue to do the fine job they have always done.

Once again we were honored by being awarded one of the top three spots in the Town Report annual state wide competition. Two years ago we were third, last year we were first and this year we were third again. Thanks to all Department Heads and Committee chairs who wrote excellent reports. And a very special "Thank You" and "Kudos" to Alice Butler, our Selectmen's Office

Administrator, who has worked so hard and skillfully in putting these reports together. It is interesting to note that this year's three award recipients were Edgartown, Tisbury and Oak Bluffs.

The near future will find the town of Oak Bluffs very busy. In July, Dennis Alley will retire as our Fire Chief after fifty one years of service in the department. Chief Alley has always had the safety of the citizens of the town foremost in his mind while at the same time showing a genuine concern for the tax payers. We thank him for all he has done for the department and the public.

It is fair to say that the infrastructure of the town is not being ignored. This spring we will see the beginning of a major project replacing and repairing the bulkhead on the east side of the entrance to the harbor. In partnership with Mass Highway several projects will help to improve traffic flow: Lake Avenue from the SSA to the harbor will have road improvements and sidewalks by the summer of 2008, both the big and little bridges between Sengekontacket and the sound will have major work done this fall and a year from this fall the "blinker" will be improved with a modern round-a-bout. In addition, the hospital will be undergoing a major reconstruction and addition project. Also, the YMCA is scheduled to begin construction on a new facility. All of this is sure to test our patience and tolerance so it is important to remember that these projects are not only being done to improve our quality of life but they are investments for our children's futures.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude in serving as chair and to thank all of the employees and committee members of the town for their hard work, long hours and devotion to the town. It is because of them that Oak Bluffs is alive and well and living on Martha's Vineyard.

Respectfully submitted,

DUNCAN ROSS, Chairman

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING REPORT

APRIL 11, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Performing Arts Center by Moderator David Richardson. 170 of the 3117 registered voters were present for the opening, increasing to 234 voters during the course of the evening. After acknowledging that the service of the warrant was in order and the quorum had been met, the moderator led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of the citizens that were no longer with us. Moderator Richardson then made a motion that the town act under the provisions of General Law, Chapter 39, Section 15 for the duration of this meeting and the following Annual Meeting, thus enabling the moderator to declare a 2/3rds voice vote without taking an actual count. The motion was moved, seconded and unanimously voted.

Whereas the first article was his, the Moderator's, he asked for nominations from the floor for a temporary moderator so that he might present his article to the meeting. A motion was made, duly seconded and Duncan Ross was elected the moderator for the duration of the vote of Article 1. Following the vote, Moderator Richardson returned to his position overseeing the meeting.

**Article 1.** Voted unanimously to amend **Chapter II D** of the Recodified General By-laws by adding thereto the following sentence: 'The Moderator may take a voice vote and call the result whenever a two-thirds vote is required'.

### Town Moderator

**Article 2.** Voted in excess of the required 2/3rds to appropriate **\$3,215,000** to pay costs of planning, engineering and construction of improvements to the **Oak Bluffs Wastewater Treatment Facility**, and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto this amount should be raised by borrowing.

### Wastewater Commission

**Article 3.** Voted to amend the Recodified General By-laws by adding a new **Chapter XXVI 'SEWER ASSESSMENT' BY-LAW** as follows:

#### 1. Introduction and Authority

The cost of laying out, constructing and operating a system for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage for all or any part of the Town shall be borne by the land benefited by such system, in accordance with the following provisions, except that fifty percent (50%) of the costs incurred in connection with the planning and construction of the Oak Bluffs Wastewater Treatment Plant, the installation of the sewer lines identified on the Phase III Wastewater Facilities Plan dated January 20, 1998, and all related costs incidental thereto, amounting to \$17,396,270.90, shall be borne by the owners of land benefiting therefrom. The town Meeting may, subsequent to the April 2006 Annual Town Meeting, allocate any portion of the cost of laying out and constructing new sewage collection facilities to the taxpayers at large.

#### 2. Assessment by Uniform Unit Method

a. The Town, acting through its Wastewater Commissioners, shall assess the owners of all land abutting any way in which

there is a public sewer line constructed by the Town according to the uniform unit method, as authorized by G.L. c. 83, § 15 and the Special Town Meeting held on April 10, 2001.

b. The Wastewater Commissioners shall make the assessments by establishing sewer assessment units as follows:

(i) The owner of land used for a single family residence shall be assessed on the basis of one (1) sewer unit. The owner of undeveloped land zoned for single family residential use shall be assessed on the basis of the maximum number of single family residences which may be constructed on such land as of right under the zoning then in effect.

(ii) The owner of land used for multi-family residential use shall be assessed on the basis of .67 times the number of dwelling units presently existing on such land, provided each unit has fewer than three (3) bedrooms as defined by Title V of the State Environmental Code ("Title V"). Vacant land zoned for multi-family use shall be assessed on the basis of .67 times the maximum number of units which can be constructed as of right under the zoning then in effect. Multi-family units with three (3) or more bedrooms shall be assessed on the basis of one sewer unit per dwelling unit. Each owner of a condominium or cooperative dwelling unit in a multi-family residential building shall be assessed only for his or her dwelling unit.

(iii) The owner of land used or zoned for commercial, business, industrial, institutional, or non-profit use ("non- residential property") that is metered for Town water use shall be assessed a number of equivalent residential sewer units based upon the water consumption for the calendar year preceding the order of assessment, according to the following formula:

Water Usage (expressed in average gallons per day)

210 (based on 3 x 70 gpd per bedroom)

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Equivalent Number of Sewer Units

(all decimals shall be rounded

to the next whole number)

(iv) The owner of non-residential property that is not metered for water use shall be assigned a water consumption volume by the Wastewater Commissioners based on Title V, and then assessed for the number of equivalent sewer units based on the formula established in Section 2 (b) (iii).

(v) Municipal property is exempt from assessment. The owner of land used or zoned for any other purpose not specified in the foregoing sections shall be assigned a water consumption volume by the Wastewater Commissioners based on Title V, and then assessed for the number of equivalent sewer units based on the formula established in Section 2 (b) (iii).

### 3. User Fees for Land Not Subject to Assessment

The Wastewater Commissioners shall establish just and reasonable fees for the use of the public sewer system by the owner of land not liable to assessment, which fee shall be based on the avoided cost of construction of sewage disposal facilities to serve such land.

### 4. Assessment Rates

The Wastewater Commissioners shall establish the assessment rate for land being assessed by dividing total costs to be assessed by the total number of existing and potential sewer units within the assessed area.

### 5. Sewer Privilege Fees

The Wastewater Commissioners may establish reasonable fees pursuant to G.L. c. 83, § 17, to cover costs of construction of common sewers and other facilities required to serve land not previously served by the sewer system and not previously assessed to the owner of such land. Any such fee shall be reduced to the extent the landowner pays such expenses, in accordance with G.L. c. 83, § 22.

### 6. Annual User Fee

The Wastewater Commissioners may from time to time establish just and equitable annual user charges to cover the costs of maintenance, repairs and operations of the sewer system.

### 7. Rules and Regulations Concerning Sewer Assessments

The Wastewater Commissioners may adopt such reasonable rules and regulations with respect to the calculation of sewer assessments or fees as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the provisions of this By-law.

### 8. Applicability of General Laws

Except as provided herein or in any special legislation applicable to the Town, the provisions of the General Laws relative to the assessment, apportionment, division, re-assessment, abatement and collection of sewer assessments and to liens therefore and interest thereon shall apply to assessments made hereunder.

### 9. Rules and Regulations Concerning Use of Sewer System

The Wastewater Commissioners may establish rules and regulations concerning the use of the public sewer system, including but not limited to rules and regulations prohibiting the deposit of any harmful or deleterious substance into the system, for regulating connections to the system and for establishing penalties for the violation of such rules.

#### **Wastewater Commission**

**Article 4.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash, the sum of \$10,000 to fund improvements to the **Sailing Camp Mainstay Building**.

#### **Conservation Commission**

**Article 5.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash, the sum of \$ 1,188 to pay a prior fiscal year bill to '**Office on Call**' incurred by the **Finance & Advisory Committee** in Fiscal Year 2005.

#### **Finance & Advisory Committee**

**Article 6.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash, the sum of \$ 14,597 to pay invoices to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (**DEP**) not previously billed.

#### **Board of Health**

**Article 7.** Voted to approve the following **budget transfers** totaling \$152,000 for Fiscal Year 2006:

<b>FROM:</b>			<b>TO:</b>		
<b>ACCT #</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>ACCT #</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>\$ EXPLANATION</b>
01-3220	Overlay		01144-51913	Treasurers	14,065.00 ADDITIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT
	Surplus	25,000.00		Fixed Costs	
01135-5300	Town		01132-5960	RESERVE	20,000.00 TO REPLENISH THE RESERVE
ACCOUNT					
	Accountant	5,000.00		FUND	
01146-51101	Tax		01144-51900	Treasurer	16,405.00 ADDITIONAL MEDICARE TAX
	Collector	7,000.00		Fixed Costs	
01301-5690	MVRHS		01145-51101	TOWN	11,249.00 PRIOR ASST TREASUER VACATION
@					
		110,000.00		TREASURER	ADDITIONAL HRS BY THE NEW
ASST					TREAS
					ADDITIONAL SALARY FSLA LAW
01760-5998	Bond Costs		01210-5190	POLICE	12,100.00
		5,000.00			
			01241-51101	BUILDING	16,492.00 ADDITIONAL STAFFING
				INSPECTOR	
			01241-5300	BUILDING	50,530.00 INSPECTORS ON PAYROLL
				INSPECTOR	
			01291-5700	ER MGT	2,000.00 TRANSFER FOR 2006
			01300-5200	OB School	9,159.00 TRANSFER FOR 2006
	TOTAL	152,000.00		TOTAL	152,000.00
<b>Finance Director</b>					

**Article 8.** Voted in excess of the required 2/3rds to transfer from the Stabilization Fund, the sum of \$ 20,000 to fund the purchase and installation of a replacement emergency generator at the Nelson Amaral Fire Station.

#### **Emergency Management**

**Article 9.** Voted unanimously to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2006 estimated annual revenues (estimated amount is \$367,320) the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for administrative expenses and community preservation projects, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation as follows.

<b>Appropriation Amount</b>	<b>Recommended</b>
Committee Administrative Expenses	Not to exceed 5%
<b>Reserves</b>	
Historic Resources	10%
Community Housing	10%
Open Space	10%

(It is anticipated that the Community Preservation Reserve will total \$ 238,758 after these deductions)

#### **Community Preservation Committee**

**Article 10.** Voted as amended to authorize the Board of Selectmen to **exchange land** owned by the Town and Resident Homesite Committee, identified on Assessors Map 50 Parcel 31, located at Edgartown Vineyard Haven Road, for property owned by the Catholic Diocese of Fall River, identified on Assessor Map 11 Parcel 293, located at 55 School Street, to be used as Town Hall, including petitioning the General Court for special legislation to authorize the transaction if necessary. And further, if this article is passed, the Selectmen will return to an Annual Town Meeting to seek approval of the terms of the proposed transaction. Voting was 120 in favor and 81 against.

#### **Selectmen**

**Article 11.** Voted as amended to authorize the Board of Selectmen to **exchange property** owned by the Town identified on Assessors Map 11 Parcel 88, located at 82 Pennacook Avenue (the "old library") and on Assessors Map 22 Parcel 61 (a one-bedroom, deed restricted building lot), for property owned by Fennco Nominee Realty Trust, Frank M. Fenner, Trustee, identified on Assessors Map 11 Parcel 272, located at 60 Pacific Avenue, for future municipal use, including petitioning the General Court for special legislation to authorize the transaction if necessary and further, if this article is passed, the Selectmen will return to an Annual Town Meeting to seek approval of the terms

of the proposed transaction. Voting was 98 in favor and 70 against.

#### **Selectmen**

**Article 12.** Voted as amended to petition the General Court to enact the following:

An ACT relative to a certain Reserve Fund in the Town of Oak Bluffs

Section One. The legislation enacted by Chapter 234 of the Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 72 of the Acts of 1999, is deleted and replaced by this act.

Section Two. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special laws to the contrary, the Town of Oak Bluffs is authorized to continue the operation of a reserve fund in which all monies received from the provision of ambulance services shall be deposited. The Town Treasurer shall keep all funds deposited, and all funds presently held in said fund, separate and apart from all other monies.

Section Three. The reserve fund is to be used for the purchase and equipping of public safety vehicles with a priority for ambulance, fire and police departments, and for the payment of emergency medical technicians/paramedics compensation for ambulance transfers outside Dukes County. Any purchases of public safety vehicles must be authorized by a majority vote of a Special or Annual Town Meeting, but the payment of EMT/P compensation or equipment purchases from the reserve fund may be authorized by the Board of Selectmen, or its designee, without further action.

Section Four. The actions and proceedings taken by the town of Oak Bluffs through the effective date of this act in connection with the reserve fund established by Chapter 234 of the Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 72 of the Acts of 1999, are hereby ratified, validated and confirmed to the same extent as such actions had been in full compliance with any applicable laws.

Section Five. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

At 10:15 p.m a motion was made, seconded and duly voted to adjourn this meeting and to reconvene tomorrow evening at this same place at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the articles of the Annual Town Meeting warrant.

Attest:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING REPORT

April 11 AND 12, 2006

This meeting had been formerly opened along with the Special on the evening of April 11th 2006. Since the Special Meeting did not adjourn until after 10:00 pm a motion was made, moved, seconded and unanimously voted to reconvene at 7:00 pm on this evening of April 12th at the same location to act upon the following articles. This meeting was officially called to order at 7:05 pm with 75 voters present. Moderator Richardson reminded the assembled that we had voted to adopt the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 39, Section 15 for the duration of both meetings allowing him to call a 2/3rds vote without taking an actual count.

**Article 1.** The Moderator stated that the reports offered by this article were printed in the Annual Town Report.

**Article 2.** A motion was made to nominate the incumbents to the positions of **Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark** (Wayne Guyther); **Field Driver** (Andrew Farrissey); and **Fence Viewer** (George Fisher). The motion was moved, seconded and so voted unanimously.

**Article 3.** Voted, the **operating budget for FY 2007** in the amount of \$ 20,423,535. and to transfer and appropriate from the Wastewater Enterprise Fund, the sum of \$ 441,504., all to fund and pay departmental expenses and Town debt for the ensuing fiscal year July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

### **Selectmen/Finance & Advisory Committee**

**Article 4.** Voted to approve a transfer of \$ 150,000 from the **Ferry Fees Account** for FY 2007 as follows: \$ 150,000 to Department 210 (Police) to fund summer staff (\$137,000) and training (\$13,000).

### **Selectmen/Finance & Advisory Committee**

**Article 5.** Voted to accept the provisions of G.L. C.40 Section 57 and to amend **Chapter XV of the Recodified General By-laws** by adding a new **Section W.** as follows:

### **Section W. Failure to Pay Local Municipal Charges**

1. The Town of Oak Bluffs may deny any application for or revoke or suspend any local license or permit including renewals and transfer issued by any board, officer, department for any person, corporation or business enterprise who has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or any other municipal charges.
2. The tax collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as 'the collector', shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as 'the licensing authority', that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation or business enterprise hereinafter referred to as 'the party', that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve (12) month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.
3. The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals or transfers of any

party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the collector or with respect to any activity, event or other matter which is the subject of such license or permit and which activity event or matter which is carried out or exercised or is to be carried out or exercised on or about real estate owned by any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the collector; provided however, that written notice is given to the party and the collector, as required by applicable provisions of law, can the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen (14) days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, suspension or revocation. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, suspension or revocation shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license suspension, revocation or denial. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the licensing authority receives a certificate issued by the collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as of the date of issuance of said certificate.

4. Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.
5. The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders if any, members of his or her immediate family, as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 268A in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.
6. This section shall not apply to the following licenses and business permits: open burning; Section 13 of Chapter 48 bicycle permits; Section 11A of Chapter 85 sales of articles for charitable purposes; Section 33 of Chapter 101 children work permits; Section 69 of Chapter 149 clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses; Section 21E of Chapter 140 dog licenses; Section 137 of Chapter 140 fishing, hunting trapping license; Section 12 of Chapter 131 marriage licenses; Section 28 of Chapter 207 theatrical events, public exhibition permits; Section 181 of Chapter 140.

### **Tax Collector**

**Article 6.** Voted unanimously to transfer from ‘free cash’ the sum of \$10,000 for **dredging** and maintaining the channel entering Sengkontacket Pond at the Little Bridge.

#### **Shellfish Department**

**Article 7.** Voted unanimously to transfer from ‘free cash’, the sum of \$7,000.00 to pay the hard cash match toward the **Drug Task Force grant** (17-3533) as required by the grant.

#### **Police Department**

**Article 8.** Voted in excess of the required 2/3rds to transfer from the Stabilization Fund, the sum of \$20,000 to fund the **Massachusetts Estuaries Project**, Quantitative Assessment of Farm Pond and its Estuary; to support management, restoration, nutrient loading and environmental health.

#### **Shellfish Department**

**Article 9.** Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article which proposed adding the neighborhood of East Chop to the Cottage City Historic District.

#### **Cottage City Historic District Commission**

**Article 10.** Voted unanimously to transfer any balance from funds set aside for **residential placement**, tuition, and transportation costs mandated by M.G.L. c 766 for Oak Bluffs students for fiscal year 2006 to be applied to the same use in fiscal year 2007.

#### **School Committee**

**Article 11.** Voted, in accordance with G.L. C 40, section 4A, to authorize the Oak Bluffs Board of Health to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with one or more other governmental units to provide public health services which the Board of Health is required to perform, in accordance with an **InterMunicipal Mutual Aid Agreement** to be entered into by the town and various governmental units.

#### **Board of Health**

**Article 12.** Voted unanimously, as amended, that the Town establish the revolving fund for the Marina Department, as authorized by M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2006 with the \$1.00 per night boat charge for transient marine vessels being credited to the fund, to be used for general repairs and maintenance to the Oak Bluffs Harbor, and further authorizing the Harbormaster to spend up to \$15,000 from the fund, with the remaining balance to be available for further expenditure with the approval of Town Meeting.

#### **Marina/Finance Director**

**Article 13.** Voted, in excess of 2/3rds, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law **Section 10.2.1** By changing ‘three (3) members’ to ‘five (5) members’

#### **Board of Appeals**

**Article 14.** Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article which related to amending Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law 4.4 **ACCESSORY STRUCTURES IN THE R1, R2 AND R3 DISTRICTS**

**Article 15.** Voted unanimously, as amended, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law **4.4 ACCESSORY STRUCTURES IN THE R1, R2, R3 AND R4 DISTRICTS** by adding a new 4.4.4 Detached Bedroom

In any residential district, a detached bedroom is allowed by Special Permit issued by the Board of Appeals. A detached

bedroom is defined as either a free-standing structure or a bedroom over a non-habitable accessory structure with all of the conditions set forth in Section 3.4.2 and the following:

1. Bedroom and bathroom only
2. No sitting room(s), no entrance alcove(s), no hallways
3. Living space to be no larger than four hundred (400) square feet, including but not limited to bathroom, closet(s) and enclosed porches
4. Bathroom plumbing only. Only one (1) each hand sink, toilet and tub/shower
5. No stove or refrigerator
6. There must be at least seven thousand five hundred (7,500) square feet of open space on the lot which is unpaved and unoccupied by any structure
7. Building Official is allowed right of entry for compliance inspection

#### **Building Department**

**Article 16.** Voted in excess of 2/3rds, as amended, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law by amending Section **3.2 ‘ACCESSORY USES’** as follows:

Amend 3.2.3 by substituting the following therefore, and to amend Appendix B to include a note referencing Section 3.2.

#### **3.2.3 Residential Accessory Uses in All Districts.**

Home businesses are allowed in accordance with Section 3.2.4 herein upon fulfillment of the application, fee, and all other requirements. The following specific uses are permitted as of right or by special permit when accessory to a residence in all districts as set forth herein.

1. As is
2. As is
3. As is
4. As is
5. As is
6. As is

Delete **Section 3.3 HOME OCCUPATIONS** in its entirety and replace with:

#### **3.2.4 Home Business – As of Right**

One (1) home occupation may be conducted by the resident owner of a premises as of right upon fulfillment of the application, fee, and all other requirements, provided that it meets all of the following conditions:

Such business shall:

1. be conducted solely within a dwelling and solely by the person(s) occupying the dwelling as a primary residence;
2. be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the premises for residential purposes;
3. not produce offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odors, heat, lighting, electrical interference, radioactive emission or environmental pollution in accordance with the provision in Section 5.0;
4. not utilize exterior storage of material or equipment (including the parking of commercial vehicles) except as may be otherwise allowed by the Zoning By-law;
5. not exhibit any exterior indication of its presence or and variation from residential appearance;
6. not produce any customer, pupil, client or delivery trips to the occupation site and has no non-residential employees; and
7. be registered as a business with the Town Clerk.

### 3.2.5 Home Business – By Special Permit

One (1) home occupation may be conducted by the resident owner of a premises upon the grant of a Special Permit by the Board of Selectmen upon fulfillment of the application, fee, and all other requirements. Such Special permit shall expire at the transfer of the property. Such Special Permit shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. No more than three (3) persons (excluding members of the family residing on the premises) shall be employed on the premises in the home occupation;
2. Such business shall be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the premises for residential purposes;
3. Except for a permitted sign, there shall be no exterior display or exterior storage of merchandise, material or equipment and no indication of the home occupation or variation from the residential character of the area;
4. No offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, heat or glare shall be produced;
5. Traffic generated shall not exceed volumes normally found in residential neighborhoods;
6. Parking generated shall be accommodated off-street other than in a required front yard and shall be limited to five (5) parking spaces;
7. Such parking shall be screened from the street and all adjoining lots so as not to vary from the residential character of the area;
8. All home businesses shall conform to the rules and regulations of the Oak Bluffs Board of Health;
9. There shall be no retailing, wholesaling or rental of items not principally produced on the premises unless incidental to other allowed activities;
10. Items left for service shall be stored indoors within the prescribed area(s) set forth in subsection 12.
11. A home business shall be limited to not more than five (5) customers or persons utilizing a service on the premises at any one time;
12. The area used for a home business shall be limited to one of the following:
  - a. 750 sq. ft. within a dwelling
  - b. 750 sq. ft. within an accessory building
  - c. 750 sq. ft. within any combination of dwelling and accessory building.
13. The owner of any home business legally existing at the time of the adoption of this By-law must register with the Town Clerk within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this By-law;
14. If the owner of a legally pre-existing home business wishes to change or expand the home business s/he must apply for a Special Permit.

### Selectmen/Community Development Council

**Article 17.** Voted unanimously, as amended, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law **Section 4.4 ACCESSORY USES IN THE R1, R2, R3 AND R4 DISTRICTS** by adding a new

#### 4.4.5 Pools

4.4.5.1 General A swimming pool may be considered accessory to the use of a residence, subject to the following conditions:

#### 4.4.5.2 Conditions

1. Such pool is used solely by the residents and their guests;
2. Except by Special Permit from the ZBA, no portion of the pool may be located within 20' of any property bound in zoning districts R1 & R2 and 50' in R3 & R4.

3. The pool is securely fenced to a height of no less than five (5) feet, and the enclosure shall meet the requirements of 780CMR 421.9; and

4. Such pool must meet all Board of Health setback requirements for septic and any other applicable regulations.

### Building Department

**Article 18.** Voted unanimously to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning Map by deleting the current Water Protection Overlay District Map and substituting in its place, a new map titled 'Map of Oak Bluffs Massachusetts Water Protection Overlay District January 2006'

### Planning Board

**Article 19.** Voted unanimously to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law by re-numbering **Section 4.2.4 Special Permits for Height in the Health Care District...** to read **Section 4.2.6 Special Permits for Height in the Health Care District....** and to amend Appendix B to include a note referencing Section 4.2.6.

### Planning Board

**Article 20.** Voted unanimously, as amended, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law by adding the following: **2.4 Health Care District**

#### 2.4.1 Purpose

The Health Care District is intended primarily for health care related uses, including but not limited to the following: hospitals, physicians offices, nursing and convalescent homes, long term care facilities, laboratories, elder and child care establishments, substance abuse services, and other uses associated with the maintenance and restoration of the physical and mental well-being of the residents of and visitors to Martha's Vineyard and other uses ancillary thereto.

#### 2.4.2 Permitted Uses

In the Health Care District, no building or structure shall be constructed or altered, and no building(s), structure(s), or premises shall be used for any purpose except:

2.4.2.1 Any uses authorized in the R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 Residential Districts

2.4.2.2 A health care related use, consistent with the purposes set forth in Section 2.4.1 above and so long as the total floor area of all structures in the Health Care District used for health care related uses does not exceed 100,000 square feet.

#### 2.4.3 Uses by Special Permit

At any time that the total floor area of all health care related uses in the Health Care District exceeds 100,000 square feet, any additional or expanded health care related use(s) may only be granted by Special Permit. The Board of Appeals may grant a Special Permit for such health care related use(s). In determining whether to grant such a Special Permit, the Board of Appeals shall consider the factors set forth in Section 10.3 of this By-law.

#### 2.4.4 Permitted Accessory Uses and Structures Within the Healthcare District

Any use which is customarily accessory, subsidiary, and incidental to a permitted principal use, or any use which is supportive of or reasonably necessary for a permitted use shall be permitted on the same lot with said principal use.

#### 2.4.5 General Regulations

It shall be permissible to erect more than one (1) structure on a

single lot in the Health Care District provided that the dimensional requirements of this Section 2.4 and Appendix B are met for such structures.

#### **Planning Board**

**Article 21.** Voted unanimously to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law by adding a new

#### **Section 4.2.8 Special Permit for Height in the B-1 District**

The height of a building in the B-1 District shall not exceed 35 (thirty-five) feet except for the purpose of restoring or reproducing Victorian architectural features such as turrets or towers and/or decorative elements that extend above the main roof line. The Board of Appeals may grant a Special Permit in excess of 35 (thirty five) feet in dimensional height for such purpose if determined to be historically appropriate. In considering the Special Permit application, the Board of Appeals shall request comments from the Oak Bluffs Historical Commission on the appropriateness of the application.

#### **Historical Commission**

**Article 22.** Voted unanimously, as amended, to amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning By-law by adding a new **Section 4.2.7 Special Permit for Setbacks Within the R-1 District.** The purpose of this provision is to maintain the historic character of the buildings and the streetscapes within an area consisting primarily of historic structures on very small lots and with much smaller setbacks than those required by current zoning regulations.

Within those sections of the R-1 Residential District consisting of the Copeland Overlay District Sections A, B, C, and D, the Board of Appeals may grant Special Permit relief from the requirements for the front setback(s) of a lot.

Amend Appendix B to include a note referencing Section 4.2.7

#### **Planning Board**

**Article 23.** Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article which had included amendments made within the previous Article 22.

**Article 24.** Voted unanimously in the affirmative on the following *non-binding resolution*:

1.

WHEREAS The Town of Oak Bluffs has contributed to the **Massachusetts Estuaries Project** for the Lagoon Pond and the Sengekontacket Pond, indicating the Town's support for the quality of our surface and drinking water and recognizing that those resources are critical to human health and welfare, the local economy, the shellfish and fishing industries, recreation, and the protection of natural resources and wildlife; and

WHEREAS clean and unpolluted water is one of our most precious resources and is being seriously threatened by excess nitrogen, causing the water to turn murky and algae-infested and threatening our shellfish and eelgrass resources

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Oak Bluffs will give careful consideration to the upcoming results of the Massachusetts Estuaries Project, will support all credible recommendations to protect our ponds, embayments and drinking water from nitrogen and other pollutants, and work with other Island towns to restore and preserve the quality of our waters.

#### **Shellfish Department/Conservation Commission**

**Article 25.** Voted in the affirmative on the following *non-binding*

#### **Resolution:**

Should the Town pursue development of the area at School Street and Pacific Avenue as a 'municipal campus' for the Town of Oak Bluffs? **Selectmen**

**Article 26.** Voted unanimously to fix the compensation of full time and part time elected officials of the Town as provided by M.G.L. Chapter 41 § 108 as amended, for the twelve month period from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 as follows:

Moderator	\$ 325.
Board of Selectmen/Chair	\$ 4,500.
Selectmen/ Members	\$ 3,000. each
Constable (2)	\$ 500. each
Collector of Taxes &	
Collector of Accounts Salary	\$ 49,371.
Town Clerk's Salary	\$ 58,371.
Tree Warden's Salary	\$ 1,500.
Board of Health/Chair	\$ 3,000.
Board of Health/members (2)	\$ 2,500. each
Cemetery Commission Chair	\$ 250.
Cemetery Commissioners (2)	\$ 150. each

**Article 27.** Voted unanimously to elect the following Town Officers on the official ballot on April 13, 2006.

One Moderator for 1 year

Two Selectmen for 3 years

One Board of Health Member for 3 years

One Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years

One Finance & Advisory Committee Member for 2 years

Three Finance & Advisory Committee Members for 3 years

One Parks Commissioner for 3 years

One Planning Board Member for 1 year

One Planning Board Members for 5 years

One School Committee Member for 3 years

One Tree Warden for 3 years

One Wastewater Commissioner for 3 years

One Water District Commissioner for 3 years

**And also vote by ballot 'Yes' or 'No' on the following questions:**

1.

See Article 24. above

2.

See Article 25. above; and

3.

Shall the Town of Oak Bluffs be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay costs of planning, engineering, and construction of improvements to the Oak Bluffs Wastewater Treatment Facility, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto?

Following the vote on the last article a motion was made, duly seconded and voted to adjourn this town meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Attest:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 BUDGET</b>
<b>DEPT 114- 5110</b>	<b>TOWN MODERATOR</b>	
	<b>DEPT 114-</b>	325.00
	<b>TOTAL TOWN MODERATOR</b>	<b>\$325.00</b>
<b>DEPT 122- 5110</b>	<b>SELECTMEN</b>	
	ELECTED OFFICIALS	\$16,500.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$85,218.00
51102	TOWN AMINISTRATOR	\$87,360.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$1,800.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$99,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$10,000.00
	<b>TOTAL SELECTMEN</b>	<b>\$299,878.00</b>
<b>DEPT 131- 51105</b>	<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	
	CLERICAL SALARY	\$3,600.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$1,000.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$150.00
	<b>TOTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>\$4,750.00</b>
<b>DEPT 132- 5960</b>	<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE RESERVE FUND</b>	
	RESERVE FUND	\$45,000.00
	<b>TOTAL FIN/COMM RESERVE FUND</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>
<b>DEPT 135- 51101</b>	<b>TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>	
	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$74,320.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$20,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$2,500.00
	<b>TOTAL TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>	<b>\$96,820.00</b>
<b>DEPT 141- 5110</b>	<b>ASSESSORS</b>	
	APPOINTED OFFICIALS	\$4,896.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$112,821.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$900.00
5190	TRAINING	\$5,000.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$5,000.00
5380	CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICES	\$3,500.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$4,000.00
93052	REVAL	
	<b>TOTAL ASSESSORS</b>	<b>\$136,117.00</b>
<b>DEPT 144- 51900</b>	<b>TOWN TREASURER FIXED COSTS</b>	
	FICA (MEDICARE)	\$120,000.00
51911	PENSION FUND	\$565,820.00
51913	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	\$37,200.00
51916	MED. INS-EMPLOYER CONTR.	\$1,797,689.00
5212	COMPUTER P/R CONT SERVICE	\$8,500.00
	<b>TOTAL TOWN TREASURER FIXED</b>	<b>\$2,529,209.00</b>
<b>DEPT. 145- 51101</b>	<b>TOWN TREASURER</b>	
	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$64,928.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$500.00
52200	TAX TITLE EXPENSE	\$27,600.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$500.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$2,000.00
	<b>TOTAL TOWN TREASUER</b>	<b>\$95,528.00</b>
<b>DEPT 146- 5110</b>	<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	
	ELECTED OFFICIALS	\$49,371.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$55,570.00
51140	LONGEVITY	

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
51190	COLLECTOR OF ACCTS SALARY	
5190	TRAINING	3,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$15,000.00
5725	TAX TITLE EXPENSE	
	<b>TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>\$122,941.00</b>
<b>DEPT 155-</b>	<b>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$52,275.00
51140	LONGEVITY	
5320	COMPUTER TRAINING	\$12,000.00
5340	TELEPHONE	\$46,000.00
5342	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	\$6,000.00
5343	COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	\$64,000.00
5344	UPGRADES	\$10,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$7,500.00
	<b>TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>\$197,775.00</b>
<b>DEPT 161-</b>	<b>TOWN CLERK</b>	
5110	ELECTED OFFICIALS	\$58,372.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$40,164.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$2,830.00
	<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>\$102,366.00</b>
<b>DEPT 163-</b>	<b>BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>	
5110	APPOINTED OFFICIALS	\$2,000.00
51100	CONSTABLES	\$1,000.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$13,000.00
5190	TRAINING	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$7,000.00
	<b>TOTAL BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>	<b>\$24,000.00</b>
<b>DEPT 171-</b>	<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$45,521.00
51171	CARETAKER'S SALARY	\$12,172.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$1,500.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$970.00
5702	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$5,550.00
5710	TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$200.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$500.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$165.00
	<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>\$66,578.00</b>
<b>DEPT 175-</b>	<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>	
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$3,818.00
5210	CONSULTING ENGINEERING	\$2,600.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$725.00
	<b>TOTAL PLANNING BOARD</b>	<b>\$7,143.00</b>
<b>DEPT 199-</b>	<b>UNCLASSIFIED SELECTMEN</b>	
51914	INSURANCE EXPENSE	\$386,000.00
52000	STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	\$140,000.00
52019	TOWN REPORT	\$8,000.00
52100	SELF INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$15,000.00
5211	TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	\$120,000.00

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
5270	COPY MACHINE SUPPLIES	\$5,000.00
5273	LEASE LAND FOR DRAINAGE	\$1,250.00
5301	ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL	\$17,500.00
5302	ANNUAL AUDIT	\$32,000.00
5340	TELEPHONE	\$0.00
5341	ADVERTISING	\$10,000.00
5344	POSTAGE	\$30,000.00
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$37,500.00
56901	MV LAND/WATER COMM ASSESS	\$115,311.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$45,000.00
	<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED SELECTMEN</b>	<b>\$962,561.00</b>
<b>DEPT 210-</b>	<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$32,448.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$2,500.00
51210	POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY	\$88,500.00
51211	LIEUTENANT SALARY	\$77,473.00
51212	PATROLMEN SALARIES	\$517,750.00
51213	SUMMER, TEMP. & SPECIAL POLICE	\$0.00
51214	PATROL SARGEANT	\$138,468.00
51215	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	\$44,346.00
51217	QUINN BILL	\$147,491.00
51292	ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	\$32,178.00
51293	ASST ANIMAL CONTROL SALARY	\$0.00
51294	ANIMAL CONTROL OTHER CHARGES	\$3,000.00
51295	A/C INNOCULATION	
5186	DETECTIVE SALARY	\$61,871.00
5190	ADDITIONAL SALARY EXPENSE	\$155,628.00
5306	DELTA DENTAL	\$3,700.00
5307	LEGAL PROTECTION	\$2,000.00
5308	TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS COLLECTIONS	\$1,000.00
5580	UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	\$48,600.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$2,000.00
5709	WW FEES	
	<b>TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$1,358,953.00</b>
<b>DEPT 220-</b>	<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	
51101	SALARIES	\$98,600.00
51102	SALARIES FOR NON-RELATED FIRE	\$5,000.00
5243	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$4,000.00
5588	FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$43,363.00
	<b>TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$151,963.00</b>
<b>DEPT 231-</b>	<b>AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>	
51101	SALARIES	\$163,713.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$1,000.00
	OVERTIME/EXTRA COVERAGE	\$0.00
51400	SHIFT PAY	\$78,945.00
5150	IMMUNIZATION OF EMTS	
5190	TRAINING & TUITION	\$10,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$25,500.00
5701	OFF ISLAND TRANSPORTS	\$0.00
	<b>TOTAL AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>	<b>\$279,158.00</b>

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
<b>DEPT 241-</b>	<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$157,438.00
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	
51140	LONGEVITY	
51242	SEPARATE INSPECTORS	\$70,000.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$5,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$1,120.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$200.00
5780	INSTRUCTIONAL & CONFERENCES	\$2,000.00
	<b>TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>	<b>\$235,758.00</b>
<b>DEPT 249-</b>	<b>SHELLFISH</b>	
51101	CONSTABLES SALARY	\$97,157.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$500.00
5130	HOLIDAY, OVERTIME PAY	\$3,960.00
52249	TOWN SHARE- MARINE BIOLOGIST	\$27,000.00
53400	FREIGHT, ADV., POSTAGE & RINGS	\$250.00
5420	SUPPLIES	\$2,500.00
5713	TRAVEL, CONFERENCES & DUES	\$2,500.00
5881	EQUIPMENT	\$1,200.00
	<b>TOTAL SHELLFISH</b>	<b>\$135,067.00</b>
<b>DEPT 291-</b>	<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$9,500.00
	<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>\$9,500.00</b>
<b>DEPT 296-</b>	<b>MARINA/HARBOR</b>	
51101	SALARIES	\$195,405.00
5240	REPAIRS & MATERIALS	\$21,000.00
5481	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$0.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$15,000.00
	<b>TOTAL MARINA/HARBOR</b>	<b>\$231,405.00</b>
<b>DEPT 300-</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	
5000	FIXED EXPENSE	\$152,955.00
5100	ADMINISTRATIVE	\$172,023.00
5200	INSTRUCTIONAL	\$4,281,842.00
5400	SERVICE	\$233,553.00
5700	OPERATION	\$429,061.00
	CHARTER SCHOOL	
	<b>TOTAL SCHOOL</b>	<b>\$5,269,434.00</b>
<b>DEPT 301-</b>	<b>MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HS</b>	
5690	MVRHS DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$2,700,940.00
5800	MVRHS CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$158,105.00
	<b>TOTAL MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG. HS</b>	<b>\$2,859,045.00</b>
<b>DEPT 421-</b>	<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$164,270.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$4,200.00
51193	PUBLIC BLDG MAINTENANCE	\$35,000.00
5130	OTHER WAGES	\$103,792.00
5131	SNOW & ICE OVERTIME	\$35,425.00
51422	LABORER/MECHANIC SALARIES	\$358,908.00
5240	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$57,000.00
5241	TIPPING FEES	\$228,102.00
5245	RECYCLING MATERIALS DISP.	\$21,000.00

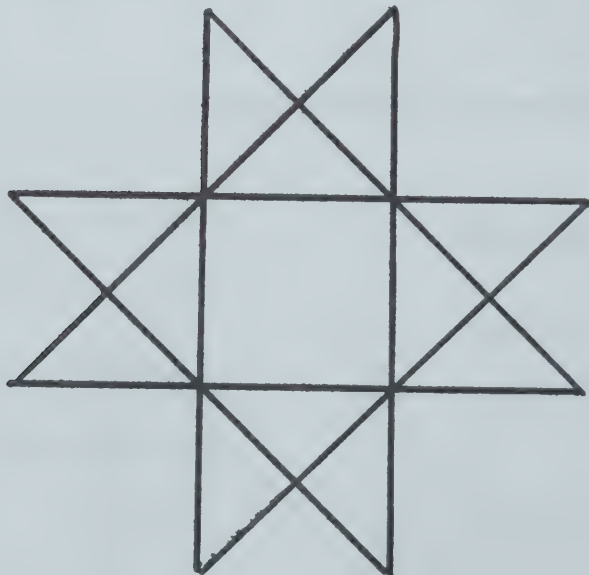
<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
5291	SNOW REMOVAL	\$8,000.00
5292	COLLECTION OF OFFAL	\$4,500.00
5293	MAINT. FARM POND CULVERT	\$1,000.00
5294	SWEEPER	\$18,740.00
5295	RUB TRUCK	\$20,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$156,525.00
5709	WW FEES	\$22,000.00
58422	ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$250,000.00
	<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$1,488,462.00</b>
<b>DEPT 491-</b>	<b>CEMETERY</b>	
5110	COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$550.00
	<b>TOTAL CEMETERY</b>	<b>\$550.00</b>
<b>DEPT 519-</b>	<b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	
5110	BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	\$8,000.00
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$32,788.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$300.00
5120	SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT	\$5,538.00
51520	HEALTH AGENT'S SALARY	\$49,972.00
5246	HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL	\$18,000.00
5301	PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING	\$22,015.00
5303	ADVERTISING	\$540.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$7,220.00
5701	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	\$160.00
5709	DEP FEES	\$800.00
5715	CELLPHONE/PAGER CHARGES	\$0.00
5717	SCHOOL, SEMINARS, & TRAINING	\$300.00
5730	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	\$105.00
	<b>TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	<b>\$145,738.00</b>
<b>DEPT 541-</b>	<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	
51101	SALARIES	\$108,910.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$300.00
5300	PILOT PROGRAM	\$4,344.00
5350	OLDER AMERICAN ACTS (ICOA)	\$9,992.00
5351	SOCIAL DAY CARE (ICOA)	\$12,992.00
5352	OFFICE EXPENSE (ICOA)	\$16,673.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$8,000.00
5700	CONFERENCE & EDUCATION	
	<b>TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	<b>\$161,211.00</b>
<b>DEPT 543-</b>	<b>VETERANS' SERVICES</b>	
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$500.00
5770	BENEFIT PAYMENTS	\$21,000.00
	<b>TOTAL VETERANS' SERVICES</b>	<b>\$21,500.00</b>
<b>DEPT 610-</b>	<b>LIBRARY</b>	
51101	SALARIES	\$275,495.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$800.00
5200	PROGRAMS	\$3,000.00
5240	EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE	\$500.00
5511	BOOKS & PERIODICALS	\$63,285.00
5582	SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	\$4,000.00
5709	WW FEES	\$0.00

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
5711	EDUCATION AND TRAINING	\$2,685.00
5799	COMPUTER AUTOMATION (CLAMS)	\$25,000.00
	<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$374,765.00</b>
<b>DEPT 612-</b>	<b>ARTS COUNCIL</b>	
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$500.00
	<b>TOTAL ARTS COUNCIL</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>DEPT 630-</b>	<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	
51101	FORMAN SALARY	\$46,157.00
51105	OTHER SALARIES	\$87,912.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$800.00
51651	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$15,000.00
5401	TOWN BEACH	\$700.00
5463	MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT	\$1,300.00
5464	FERTILIZER, SHRUBS, & TREES	\$5,000.00
5488	BAND CONCERTS	\$3,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$16,500.00
	<b>TOTAL PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>\$176,369.00</b>

#### **DEBT SCHEDULE**

	<b>NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</b>	
	<b>\$ 8,000,000.00 ISSUE</b>	
01-710-5927	PRINCIPAL	\$725,000.00
01-750-5927	INTEREST	\$211,200.00
	<b>LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION</b>	
01-710-5933	PRINCIPAL	\$175,000.00
01-750-5933	INTEREST	\$138,382.00
	<b>TISBURY - OAK BLUFFS SCALE</b>	
01-710-5933	PRINCIPAL	
01-750-5933	INTEREST	
	<b>RECONSTRUCT PUBLIC WHARF PHASE III</b>	
01-710-5929	PRINCIPAL	
01-750-5929	INTEREST	
	<b>WASTEWATER PROJECT</b>	
01-720-5932	PRINCIPAL	\$624,086.00
01-751-5932	INTEREST	\$226,088.00
01-751-5935	MWPAT (SRF LOAN)	19,157.00
	<b>LANDFILL CAPPING</b>	
01-710-5934	PRINCIPAL	\$87,496.00
01-751-5934	INTEREST	\$22,623.00
01-760-5998	BOND ISSUANCE COST	\$2,000.00
01-760-5999	BOND REGISTER & TRANSFER	\$600.00
01-751-5926	INTEREST ON TEMPORARY NOTES	
	<b>TOTAL DEBT SCHEDULE</b>	<b>\$2,231,632.00</b>
	<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,822,001.00</b>

<b>DEPT. &amp; ACCOUNT CODES</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>FY2007 PROPOSED BUDGET</b>
<b>DEPT 60198-</b>	<b>WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT</b>	
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$205,294.00
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$0.00
51108	OVERTIME	\$10,250.00
51914	INSURANCE	\$67,041.00
5211	TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	\$2,050.00
5215	ELECTRIC	\$61,500.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$14,350.00
5340	TELEPHONE	\$14,863.00
5400	SUPPLIES	\$5,125.00
5402	CHEMICALS	\$26,650.00
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,230.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$20,500.00
5702	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$5,125.00
5704	SLUDGE DISPOSAL	\$102,500.00
5705	EQUIPMENT	\$14,350.00
5706	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	\$14,350.00
5707	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$2,563.00
5710	TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$2,563.00
5711	TRAINING	\$1,025.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$205.00
5750	CONTINGENCY	\$30,000.00
	<b>TOTAL WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$601,534.00</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>\$20,423,535.00</b>



**REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
APRIL 13, 2006**

Pursuant to the Annual Town Meeting warrant, Article 27, the polls were declared open by Town Clerk, Deborah deB. Ratcliff in the meeting room of the new Oak Bluffs Library, at ten o'clock a.m. Present for the reception of voters were Katherine Manning, Kathryn Collins, Laura Johnston, Lois DeBettencourt and Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk. Constables Richard Mavro and David Oliveira and Registrar Margaret Stafursky arrived later in the day to assist.

The polls were declared closed at seven o'clock p.m. and the ballot box reflected that 959 voters, (31%) of the 3117 registered, had participated; of these, 80 by absentee ballot. An unofficial announcement of the results was made with the caveat that the write-in candidates had yet to be counted. When the counting of write-in candidates was completed at 9:30 p.m., the final tally was announced, as follows. The used and unused ballots were then sealed and returned to Town Hall to be stored the prescribed time.

**MODERATOR**

One for one year	
David F. Richardson	663
Blanks	262
Others	34

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Two for three years	
Gregory A. Coogan	609
Roger W. Wey	489
McKinley M. Starks	157
Christine Catherine Todd	484
Blanks	175
Others	4

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER**

One for three years	
William White	691
Blanks	261
Others	7

**PARK COMMISSIONER**

One for three years	
Allan A. deBettencourt	724
Blanks	230
Others	5

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER**

One for three years	
Judith Ann O'Donoghue	675
Blanks	282
Others	2

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER**

One for three years	
Jesse B. Law III	691
Blanks	262
Others	6

**TREE WARDEN**

One for three years	
Joseph M. deBettencourt	701
Blanks	255
Others	3

**PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

One for one year	
Blanks	841
James Westervelt (write-in)	38
Others	80

**PLANNING BOARD MEMBER**

One for five years	
Erik R. Albert	554
Blanks	377
Others	28

**FINANCE & ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

One for two years	
Michael Perry	619
Blanks	333
Others	7

**FINANCE & ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Three for three years	
Frank H. Case III	506
Mimi Davisson	532
Peter Palches	499
Kris Chvatal	295
Blanks	1038
Others	7

**WASTEWATER COMMISSIONER**

One for three years	
Susan M. Desmarais	621
Blanks	329
Others	9

**WATER DISTRICT COMMISSIONER**

One for three years	
Kevin H. Johnson	667
Blanks	286
Others	6

**QUESTION 1 (NON-BINDING)**

WHEREAS The Town of Oak Bluffs has contributed to the Massachusetts Estuaries Project for the Lagoon Pond and the Sengekontacket Pond, indicating the Town's support for the quality of our surface and drinking water and recognizing that those resources are critical to human health and welfare, the local economy, the shellfish and fishing industries, recreation, and the protection of natural resources and wildlife; and

WHEREAS clean and unpolluted water is one of our most precious resources and is being seriously threatened by excess nitrogen, causing the water to turn murky and algae-infested and threatening our shellfish and eelgrass resources

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Oak Bluffs will give careful consideration to the upcoming results of the Massachusetts Estuaries Project, will support all credible recommendations to protect our ponds, embayments and drinking water from nitrogen and other pollutants, and work with other Island towns to restore and preserve the quality of our waters. Shellfish Department/Conservation Commission

YES	807
NO	49
BLANKS	103

#### QUESTION 2 (NON-BINDING)

Should the Town pursue development of the area at School Street and Pacific Avenue as a 'municipal campus' for the Town of Oak Bluffs? Selectmen

YES	530
NO	325
BLANKS	104

#### QUESTION 3 (BINDING)

Shall the Town of Oak Bluffs be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay costs of planning, engineering, and construction of improvements to the Oak Bluffs Wastewater Treatment Facility, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto?

YES	415
NO	402
BLANKS	142

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

### REPORT OF THE PETITIONED RECOUNT APRIL 24, 2006

A recount petition was filed by Christine Catherine Todd questioning the accuracy of the ballot count of the recent election held on April 13th for the Board of Selectman members. This recount was held in the meeting room of the Oak Bluffs Library from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm under the supervision of the Board of Registrars, the candidates and their agents. Laura Johnston, Lois DeBettencourt, Cheryll Sashin, Nicole deBettencourt, Melanie daRosa, Pamela Martisaukas, Marguerite Cook, Nathalie Woodruff, Arthur W. and Margaret McGrath were the pollworkers assigned to this project. One additional ballot surfaced during the recount producing the following results and changing the total number of Ballots cast to 960.

Board of Selectmen (2)	Recount Total	April 13th Total
Gregory A. Coogan	610	609
Roger W. Wey	489	489
McKinley M. Starks	157	157
Christine Catherine Todd	485	484
Blanks	176	175
All Others	3	4

Following the announcement of the above results, all of the election materials were returned to the town hall to be stored the prescribed time.

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

# REPORT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION

## AUGUST 8, 2006

This was the second Town Election to be held in the Meeting Room of the new Public Library. The election became necessary to fill an open space on the five member Board of Selectmen following the resignation of Selectman Michael Dutton. Constable Richard Mavro declared the polls open at 12:00 noon. Margaret Stafursky, Patricia Ingalls, Kathryn Collins, Lois DeBettencourt and Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk were in attendance to serve as checkers and welcome the voters. Constable David Oliveira arrived later, replacing Mr. Mavro. The polls were declared closed at 7:00 p.m. by Constable Oliveira and the ballot box reflected that 1124 of the 3117 registered voters had cast their vote; of these, 75 were by absentee ballot. The announcement of the following result was made at 7:10 p.m. The ballots, both used and unused, together with relevant election materials were returned to the Town Hall vault to be stored the prescribed time.

To elect one member to the Board of Selectmen for a 20 Month Term.

HERBERT A. COMBRA	419
KENNETH J. DEBETTENCOURT	88
RONALD L. DIORIO	485
DAVID E. MORRIS, JR.	119
CHRISTINE CATHERINE TODD	12
ALL OTHERS	1

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

# REPORT OF THE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

## SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

Pursuant to the warrant, Town Clerk Deborah deB. Ratcliff declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room of the Oak Bluffs Public Library. Present for the reception of voters were Patricia Ingalls, Kathryn Collins, Laura Johnston, Lois DeBettencourt and Town Clerk, Deborah deB. Ratcliff. Registrar Margaret Stafursky arrived later in the day, to assist.

At 8:00 p.m. the polls were declared closed by Town Clerk Deborah deB. Ratcliff. The ballot box reflected that a total of 678 voters or 21% of the 3214 registered voters had participated. Of the ballots cast, 48 were by absentee ballot. Following the announcement of the results at 8:30 p.m. the ballots were sealed and returned to Town Hall to be stored the prescribed time.

### REPUBLICAN PARTY

#### Senator in Congress

Kenneth G. Chase	31	
Kevin P. Scott	23	
Blanks	14	
Total		68

#### Governor

Kerry Healey	52	
Blanks	14	
All Other	2	
Total		68

#### Lieutenant Governor

Reed V. Hillman	49	
Blanks	19	
Total		68

#### Attorney General

Larry Frisoli	40	
Blanks	28	
Total		68

#### Secretary of State

Blanks	68	
Total		68

#### Treasurer

Blanks	68	
Total		68

#### Auditor

Blanks	68	
Total		68

#### Representative in Congress

Jeffrey K. Beatty	41	
Blanks	27	
Total		68

<b>Councillor</b>				<b>Blanks</b>	129	
Philip C. Paleologos	37			All Others	1	
Blanks	31			Total		610
Total		68				
<b>Senator on General Court</b>				<b>Treasurer</b>		
Ricardo M. Barros	33			Timothy P. Cahill	437	
Doug Bennett	22			Blanks	173	
Blanks	13			Total		610
Total		68				
<b>Representative in General Court</b>				<b>Auditor</b>		
James Powell	58			A. Joseph DeNucci	402	
Blanks	10			Blanks	208	
Total		68		Total		610
<b>District Attorney</b>				<b>Representative in Congress</b>		
Michael D. O'Keefe	46			William D. Delahunt	483	
Blanks	22			Blanks	126	
Total		68		All Others	1	
<b>Clerk of Courts</b>				Total		610
Joseph E. Sollitto, Jr.	56			<b>Councillor</b>		
Blanks	12			Carole A. Fiola	205	
Total		68		Kelly Kevin Lydon	194	
<b>Register of Deeds</b>				Blanks	211	
Blanks	68			Total		610
Total		68		<b>Senator on General Court</b>		
<b>County Commissioner</b>				Robert A. O'Leary	453	
Woodrow W. Williams	46			Blanks	157	
Blanks	226			Total		610
Total		272		<b>Representative in General Court</b>		
<b>DEMOCRATIC PARTY</b>				Eric T. Turkington	475	
<b>Senator in Congress</b>				Blanks	131	
Edward M. Kennedy	535			All Others	4	
Blanks	75			Total		610
Total		610		<b>District Attorney</b>		
<b>Governor</b>				Blanks	587	
Christopher F. Gabrieli	73			All Others	23	
Deval L. Patrick	384			Total		610
Thomas Reilly	149			<b>Clerk of Courts</b>		
Blanks	4			Daniel James Larkosh	369	
Total		610		Blanks	237	
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>				All Others	4	
Deborah B. Goldberg	208			Total		610
Timothy P. Murray	113			<b>Register of Deeds</b>		
Andrea C. Silbert	214			Dianne E. Powers	422	
Blanks	74			Blanks	188	
All Others	1			Total		610
Total		610		<b>County Commissioner</b>		
<b>Attorney General</b>				Robert M. Sawyer	234	
Martha Coakley		447		Paul A. Strauss	345	
Blanks	162			Carlene J. Gating	218	
All Others	1			Blanks	1623	
Total		610		All Others	20	
<b>Secretary of State</b>				Total		2440
William Francis Galvin	399			<b>ATTEST</b>		
John Bonifaz	81					

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

**REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
OCTOBER 17, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at the Oak Bluffs School, Tradewinds Road, by Moderator David Richardson at 7:05 in the evening, with 83 voters present. During the evening additional voters arrived to bring the total participating to 104. The moderator announced that he had reviewed the warrant and found that it had been properly served and posted. He also advised that the Office of the Attorney General had approved the by-law amendment which had been voted last April allowing the Moderator to take a voice vote and call the result whenever a two-thirds vote is required. He went on to announce that we would be unable to recite the Pledge of Allegiance because there was not an American flag present to pledge to. Alan Mahoney arose from the audience proclaiming "WAIT, Mr. Moderator, I have a flag", and he proceeded to wave his baseball cap with the flag emblazoned on it to the audience. At this point, Moderator Richardson invited him to come to the front and hold his hat high and all present proceeded to the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ARTICLE 1.** Voted in the majority to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2007 estimated annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for administrative expenses and Community Preservation projects, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation as follows.

<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Recommended Amount</b>
Community	
Administrative Expense	\$37,028 (Not to Exceed 5%)
Reserves	
Historic Resources	\$74,056 (10%)
Community Housing	\$74,056 (10%)
Open Space	\$74,056 (10%)

**Board of Selectmen, Community Preservation Committee**

**ARTICLE 2.** Unanimously voted to transfer from Free Cash, in the following amounts and to the following entities, to pay prior years bills incurred by the Town in Fiscal Years 2005 and 2006:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>
\$7,533.00	Vineyard Land Surveying & Engineering, Inc. for harbor survey
\$609	Lisa Stewart, Oak Bluffs School softball coach

**Board of Selectmen**

**ARTICLE 3.** Voted in excess of the required two-thirds to transfer from the Wastewater Enterprise Fund the amount of One Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$190,000) for the purpose of purchasing land along Pennsylvania Avenue identified as Map 21 Lot 85, consisting of approximately one acre. Selectman Kerry Scott asked Wastewater Manager Joseph Alosso if this property was to be used for effluent beds to which he answered, "no".

**Board of Selectmen, Wastewater Commission**

**ARTICLE 4.** Voted by the majority, as amended, to authorize the Selectmen to enter a seven year lease-purchase arrangement for one aerial ladder fire truck (to replace the current ladder truck which is 49 years old), to be funded from the Ambulance Reserve Account at a total cost of Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$757,576.00), contingent upon the Legislature approving the amendments to the Special legislation governing the Ambulance Reserve Fund adopted by

the voters under Article 12 at the April 11, 2006 Special Town Meeting.

**Fire Department**

**ARTICLE 5.** Voted by the majority to transfer from Free Cash the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to fund supplies and training for the Community Emergency Response team.

**Board of Selectmen, Emergency Management Department**

**ARTICLE 6.** Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to pay for the Town's portion of the engineering services associated with the Transportation Improvement Program construction project on Lake Avenue.

**Board of Selectmen, Highway Department**

**ARTICLE 7.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash to Account 132-5960 (Finance Committee Reserve Fund) the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000).

**Board of Selectmen, Emergency Management, Finance Committee**

**ARTICLE 8.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash to Account 231-51101 (Salaries) the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to cover a projected shortfall.

**Ambulance**

**ARTICLE 9.** Voted by the majority to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to pay for engineering services associated with the reconstruction of the East Chop Bluff. A motion had been made and subsequently defeated to divide this amount with the East Chop Association.

**Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission**

**ARTICLE 10.** Unanimously voted to approve the following amendment to Chapter XXII (Wetlands) of the Town of Oak Bluffs Re-codified General By-laws: To remove from Section F (Regulations) the portion entitled "Pier Regulations for Lagoon and Sengekontacket Ponds," numbered 1 through 3j.

The amendment is necessary because the pier regulations are duplicated in the Wetlands Bylaw Regulations.

**Conservation Commission**

**ARTICLE 11.** Voted unanimously, as amended, to transfer funds from the following sources and in the following amounts as set forth below to fund the following capital improvements. The proposed transfers from the Ambulance Reserve Fund are contingent upon the Legislature approving the amendments to the special legislation governing the Ambulance Reserve Fund adopted by the voters under Article 12 at the April 11, 2006 Special Town Meeting.

<u>Item/Project</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source</u>
Phone System	Inform Tech/COA	\$6,488	Free Cash
Small Dump Truck	Highway	\$55,000	Free Cash
Mower Replacement	Parks Department	\$3,000	Free Cash
Phone System	Inform Tech/EMS	\$18,886	Ambulance Reserve
Rescue Ambulance	Ambulance	\$140,000	Ambulance Reserve
Ambulance Re-chassis	Ambulance	\$96,000	

3 Cruiser Replacements Police		Ambulance Reserve	
		\$105,000	
		Ambulance Reserve	
Pickup Truck Replacement	Shellfish	\$30,000	
		Ambulance Reserve	
Power Pedestal Replacement	Marina	\$25,000	Ferry Fees
Temporary Police Station	Police/Highway	\$25,000	Ferry Fees
Oil burner Replacement	Wastewater	\$15,000	
		Wastewater Retained	

#### Capital Improvement Committee

**ARTICLE 12.** Voted unanimously to transfer from free cash to

Account 610-51101 (Salaries) the amount of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to supplement the salary line item to allow for additional hours for Library Aides.

#### Library Trustees

**ARTICLE 13.** Voted unanimously to transfer the amount of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from Free Cash to Stabilization.

#### Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee

Following the vote on the last article, a motion was made, moved and seconded to close this meeting. The time was 8:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

### REPORT OF THE STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 2006

The polls were declared open by Constable Richard Mavro at 7:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room of the Oak Bluffs Library. The following poll workers were in attendance for the reception of voters; Laura Johnston, Rosemary Hildreth, Lois DeBettencourt, Kathryn Collin, Patricia Ingalls and Town Clerk Deborah deB. Ratcliff. Margaret Stafursky and Constable David Oliveira arrived later in the day to provide assistance. The polls were declared closed by Constable Oliveira at 8:00 p.m. The ballot box reflected that a total of 1951 voters of the 3225 registered had cast their ballots and of these, 255 were by absentee ballot. Following a count of the write-in candidates, an announcement was made of the following election results at 10:00p.m. All elections materials were then transported back to the town hall to be stored for the proscribed time and notifications of elections results were made to the various County and State Offices and news services.

#### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Edward M. Kennedy	1461	
Kenneth G. Chase	429	
Blanks	59	
All Others	2	
Total		1951

#### GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Healy and Hillman	568
Patrick and Murray	1210
Mihos and Sullivan	108
Ross and Robinson	44

Blanks	20	
All Others	2	
Total		1951

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Martha Coakley	1444	
Larry Frisoli	395	
Blanks	112	
All Others	0	
Total		1951

#### SECRETARY OF STATE

William Francis Galvin	1454	
Jill E. Stein	272	
Blanks	224	
All Others	1	
Total		1951

#### TREASURER

Timothy P. Cahill	1408	
James O'Keefe	288	
Blanks	253	
All Others	2	
Total		1951

#### AUDITOR

A. Joseph DeNucci	1352	
Rand Wilson	292	
Blanks	306	
All Others	1	
Total		1951

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**

William D. Delahunt	1430	
Jeffrey K. Beatty	355	
Peter A. White	82	
Blanks	81	
All Others	3	
Total		1951

**COUNCILLOR**

Carole A. Fiola	1210	
Philip C. Paleologos	386	
Paul Viveros	92	
Blanks	261	
All Others	2	
Total		1951

**SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT**

Robert O'Leary	1403	
Ricardo M. Barros	402	
Blanks	146	
All Others	0	
Total		1951

**REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT**

Eric T. Turkington	1222	
James R. Powell	642	
Blanks	87	
All Others	0	
Total		1951

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

Michael D. O'Keefe	1172	
Blanks	768	
All Others	11	
Total		1951

**CLERK OF COURTS**

Joseph E. Sollitto, Jr.	1151	
Daniel James Larkosh	714	
Blanks	86	
All Others	0	
Total		1951

**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

Dianne E. Powers	1549	
Blanks	396	
All Others	6	
Total		1951

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

Leslie H. Leland	728	
Robert M. Sawyer	653	
Paul A. Strauss	901	
Carlene J. Gatting	706	
Woodrow W. Williams	431	
Peter R. Hefler	235	
Tristan R. Israel	726	
Jesse B. Law III	763	
Richard S. Lee	264	
James T. Morse	361	
Blanks	2033	
All Others	3	
Total		7804

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION**

James Athearn	1121
Christina Brown	868

Mimi Davisson	1036	
E. Douglas Sederholm	608	
Linda Bauer Sibley	822	
Andrew Woodruff	936	
Peter Cabana	410	
Daniel A. Flynn	873	
Kathy Newman	567	
Paul A. Strauss	891	
Richard J. Toole	989	
All Others	22	
Blanks	8416	
Total		17,559

**COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION**

Timothy K. Connelly	564	
Mimi Davisson	902	
Arthur Edward Flathers	592	
Daniel A. Flynn	839	
Richard R. Knabel	477	
Patricia I. W. Moore	614	
Nora M. Nevin	608	
James Newman	499	
William F. O'Brien III	747	
Linda Bauer Sibley	698	
Ted Stanley	521	
Woodrow W. Williams	654	
WRITE-INS		
Stephen Bernier	56	
Tad Crawford	74	
Jeffrey Kristal	69	
Thomas Rancich	64	
Helen (Holly) Stephenson	60	
All Others	36	
Blanks	21191	
Total		29,265

**QUESTION 1**

Yes	737	
No	1026	
Blanks	188	
Total		1951

**QUESTION 2**

Yes	570	
No	1057	
Blanks	324	
Total		1951

**QUESTION 3**

Yes	792	
No	823	
Blanks	336	
Total		1951

**QUESTION 4**

Yes	1167	
No	424	
Blanks	360	
Total		1951

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

# RETURNS OF MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 2006

Date		Name	Residence
<b>JANUARY</b>			
	9	SCOTT JUSTIN COLLINS JODY ELIZABETH HAYES	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
	13	CHRIS A. CAJOLET TATIANA B. PAVLENKO	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>APRIL</b>			
	8	RYAN EDWARD DEYETTE MARY ANNY OGGIONI DEFREITAS	FT. WALTON BEACH, FL OAK BLUFFS, MA
	22	STEPHEN JOHN KELLY MICHELLE ANNA FOSTER	TISBURY, MA TISBURY, MA
	29	ROGERIO NEY RODRIGUES KENYA KARLA BARBOSA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>JUNE</b>			
	3	MICHAEL EDWARD SEBASTIAN THERESA LORRAINE DEMONDO	CHICAGO, IL CHICAGO, IL
	8	ERIC WAYNE SCHOU LAURA JEAN CIMMINO	PALM HARBOR, FL PALM HARBOR, FL
	9	JUSTIN C. CASSIDY ROBERTA I. BOLTON	NYACK, NY NYACK, NY
	17	GREGORY HARRIS EHRMAN HOLLY ANN THOMAS	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
	21	CHRISTOPHER JAMES CAUDILL WENDY JEAN HELLER	MOHAWK, NY MOHAWK, NY
	23	RICHARD S. CHANG JULIE A. ROBERTSON	PHILADELPHIA, PA PHILADELPHIA, PA
<b>JUNE</b>			
	28	SEAMUS P. O'BRIEN LOUISA B. LODI	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>JULY</b>			
	2	RICHARD CHARLES BARNETT HEATHER LAURIE MAYMON	AUSTIN, TX AUSTIN, TX
	29	TIMOTHY JOHN MARTIN KELLY LYNN CONTE	WATERTOWN, MA WATERTOWN, MA

# MARRIAGES - Continued

Date	Name	Residence
<b>AUGUST</b>		
6	GREGORY RICHARD ATKINSON SARAH MARGARET JACOBS	TORONTO, ONTARIO CANADA TORONTO, ONTARIO CANADA
12	KEVIN MICHAEL JAMES CORCORAN IRENE M. BLACKWELL	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
26	WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM SULLIVAN KIRA LAW	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
2	JONATHAN MICHAEL HOPE LUMLEY GINA CASCINO	NEW YORK, NY NEW YORK, NY
7	MARK ANDREW FERRO LEANNE MARIE CURRAN	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
9	MARC E. REPOZA LAVERNE REPOSA	MIDDLEBOROUGH, MA MIDDLEBOROUGH, MA
9	CHARLES BENNETT FISHER IV STEFANIE LEE WOLF	SAN FRANCISCO, CA, SAN FRANCISCO, CA,
9	ALFRED RENARD CARTER CECILIE NICOLE DAVIS	LOS ANGELES, CA LOS ANGELES, CA
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
10	ASTON GEORGE EVANS II TANISHA MERCELLA HARDY	BRONX, NY BRONX, NY
14	KEITH EDWARD ANDREWS DEBORAH DENISE TROTTER	QUINCY, FL QUINCY, FL
16	JAMES P. WINSTON SHELLI-ANNE LOCKHART	CHARLESTOWN, MA KANSAS CITY, MO
22	ERIK CORWITH KRAATZ MARY HAWLEY BOLES	SILVERTHORNE, CO SILVERTHORNE, CO
23	JOSEPH FREDERICK DODGE DIANE ELIZABETH WHITTIER	PERKINSVILLE, VT PERKINSVILLE, VT
23	TIMOTHY J. MANCHIN SUSAN LYNN STEVENS	FAIRMONT, W V UNIONTOWN, PA
23	DENNIS ALLEN BEN DAVID LISA ANN WILLOUGHBY	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA

## MARRIAGES - Continued

Date	Name	Residence
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
23	JOHN VINCENT DAIGLE KAREN ELIZABETH FINUCANE	VENICE, CA VENICE, CA
29	CURTIS AARON LAVIGN VALERIE JEANNE BUCKLEY	EDGARTOWN, MA EDGARTOWN, MA
30	THOMAS E. CARROLL ANNE MILOSAVA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
7	JAMES DANIEL CLEARY ELISABETH ANNE ALBERICE	LAS VEGAS, NV LAS VEGAS, NV
7	ALBERT S. ROBINSON III GRACE EVELYN JETTE	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
8	STEVEN M. MORLINO JR RISA JOY MATEO	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
18	KRZYSTZTOF CIESLAK MICHELLE ROSE VANROSSUM	EDGARTOWN, MA EDGARTOWN, MA
30	DEYVIDSON S. CARDOSO MIRIAM ALVES MACIEL	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
4	MARIN ERIC STREET DANA CHRISTINE COSTANZA	WEST TISBURY, MA WEST TISBURY, MA
8	NAHIN EDISON ESPINOZA FLORES LISBETH ANN JONES	WEST TISBURY, MA WEST TISBURY, MA
18	DEREK IAN CHRISTIANSON KATHLEEN LAUREL MAYHEW	GHENT, NY CHILMARK, MA
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
1	GLAYSSON WITHMAN DESOUZA MARIA ALVES	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA

# **RETURNS OF DEATHS RECORDED IN 2006**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Residence</b>
<b>JANUARY</b>			
4	ANNA (AKA-ANNE) U. USHER	85	OAK BLUFFS, MA
6	BARBARA ANNE COUNSELL	75	TISBURY, MA
27	DOUGLAS A. ABDELNOUR SR	62	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
3	MARY FRANCES CONNORS	85	OAK BLUFFS, MA
4	JOSEPH JOHN LUCAS	76	CHILMARK, MA
5	BEVERLY ANN KING	76	WEST TISBURY, MA
9	EMILY M. WILSON	71	OAK BLUFFS, MA
19	FRANKLIN SUMMERS COLE	64	OAK BLUFFS, MA
19	JOSEPH MACIEL	89	OAK BLUFFS, MA
24	SHIRLEY VAN DE BOGART	84	POUGHKEEPSIE, NY
<b>MARCH</b>			
1	DORIS EVELYN THORINGTON	83	OAK BLUFFS, MA
1	HELEN RUTH JOHNSON	83	TISBURY, MA
6	JOSEPH BENJAMIN ROBICHAU, JR	101	EDGARTOWN, MA
13	RUTH G. LETOURNEAU	80	OAK BLUFFS, MA
17	DEXTER PAUL MELLO	64	TISBURY, MA
25	CORA RIPLEY HART	95	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	RICHARD J. SHANNON JR.	48	OAK BLUFFS, MA
27	ALVIN J. MENTZEL	84	WEST TISBURY, MA
27	ELIZABETH HILLIARD STACY	86	OAK BLUFFS, MA
27	PAUL ARTHUR SILVA	74	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>APRIL</b>			
10	MARILYN J. MORSE	66	DUXBURY, MA
17	PAUL PETRICONE	85	OAK BLUFFS, MA
17	MARILYN J. FREDRICK	81	OAK BLUFFS, MA
20	DAVID W. GANONG	62	TISBURY, MA
21	WILLIAM C. ZELLE	73	EDGARTOWN, MA
27	JOHN F. NEVIN	58	TISBURY, MA
<b>MAY</b>			
1	EUGENE EDWIN LAKSO	81	OAK BLUFFS, MA
26	PETER JOSEPH SCHRECK	42	EDGARTOWN, MA

# DEATHS - Continued

Date	Name	Age	Residence
<b>MAY</b>			
28	DONALD W. CREIGHTON	61	TISBURY, MA
30	ALBION ANTHONY ALLEY, JR	81	TISBURY, MA
<b>JUNE</b>			
15	EDWARD ANTHONY PERRY	74	EDGARTOWN, MA
15	HENRY RENDELL PEDERSEN	81	OAK BLUFFS, MA
20	CLARK WARREN MCBRIDE	54	EDGARTOWN, MA
24	NICHOLAS CHARLES DRAKE	22	EDGARTOWN, MA
26	FRANK VREELAND SNYDER	83	SHELBURNE, VT
27	DORIS E. BELISLE	80	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>JULY</b>			
1	RUTH EDNA SIPLE	63	OAK BLUFFS, MA
2	ZELJA MATUTINOVIC	42	NEW YORK, NY
6	CAROLE ELIZABETH LARSEN	70	CHILMARK, MA
6	ROBERT C. SCHNETKE	90	OAK BLUFFS, MA
14	BENJAMIN SUTHERLAND	18	CONCORD, MA
17	NATHANIEL O. STEVENS	79	OAK BLUFFS, MA
17	DIRAN BARMAKIAN	75	OAK BLUFFS, MA
24	FRANCIS A. COUTINHO	85	WEST TISBURY, MA
<b>AUGUST</b>			
7	JOHN R. KERR, JR	63	OAK BLUFFS, MA
23	RUTH C. WORTMAN	93	OAK BLUFFS, MA
23	JAMES HOWARD ROLSTON	82	OAK BLUFFS, MA
29	CAROLINE YOUNG RHEAULT	79	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
1	ELLA GOSS JEPSON	101	OAK BLUFFS, MA
3	MELVIN CALVERT DEBETTENCOURT	67	OAK BLUFFS, MA
8	TERESA ARLENE LOOP	44	WESTFIELD, MA
10	JOYCE BALBONI	64	OAK BLUFFS, MA
15	ALTHEA W. SAGE	100	WINCHESTER, MA
15	LOUISE CLEMMY HUGHES	88	FALL RIVER, MA
19	WILLIAM J. SHAY	61	OAK BLUFFS, MA

# DEATHS - Continued

Date	Name	Age	Residence
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
19	PATRICIA A. HUBERTUS	64	PLEASANTVILLE, NY
21	GILFORD D. CLEMONS	64	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
3	PETER CULKIN	43	WEST TISBURY, MA
5	OLGA GRILLO	82	OAK BLUFFS, MA
17	DOROTHY BRICKMAN	90	TISBURY, MA
21	DRUSNA ROSE ROCHA	72	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	CAROL IRVING FRANCIS	82	AQUINNAH, MA
28	GLADYS O. BRIGGS	93	OAK BLUFFS, MA
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
1	WILLIAM CLARK STYRON, JR.	81	ROXBURY, CT
7	PETER DIPP CLOUGH	84	EDGARTOWN, MA
13	JOAN S. MCGURREN	63	WEST TISBURY, MA
14	HAZEL MARCHANT COLANERI	86	TISBURY, MA
17	AUDRIA B. TANKARD	89	OAK BLUFFS, MA
19	EVANGELINE M. CASTRO	97	OAK BLUFFS, MA
24	JOHN MOMENT	85	WEST TISBURY, MA
25	MILDRED J. BRUCE	93	AQUINNAH, MA
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
1	MARY P. DROUIN	84	OAK BLUFFS, MA
1	JEAN GENITO	88	OAK BLUFFS, MA
2	FREDERICK L. SCHRADER	87	OAK BLUFFS, MA
2	JACK E. ROBINSON	79	OAK BLUFFS, MA
4	GEORGE L. WEY	99	OAK BLUFFS, MA
12	DOROTHEA P. SOUTHWORTH	95	EDGARTOWN, MA
16	JOYCE MARY ALLEY	67	OAK BLUFFS, MA
18	VARNUM R. MEAD	86	OAK BLUFFS, MA
22	ESTHER P. PINKHAM	97	TISBURY, MA
23	ELEANOR ELIZABETH PILGREN	87	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	CHAUNCEY LEWIS CHRISTIAN, JR	77	OAK BLUFFS, MA

## PERSONNEL BOARD REPORT

The Personnel Board exists to develop the rules and regulations for administering the town's non-union, non-school personnel, as well as to act in an advisory capacity about other personnel. The Town Administrator, reporting to the Board of Selectmen, has accountability for implementing personnel policies and practices for all non-school personnel; while the School Committee and School Principal have implementation accountability for school personnel.

At the end of 2006 Oak Bluffs taxpayers were directly paying for: 217 full- and part-time employees:

- 117 union personnel (69 education-related, 13 police, 35 general government-related),
- 81 non-union personnel
- 19 personal services contracts (3 education-related, 11 general-government-related, and 5 wastewater-related)

In addition, the taxpayers were paying for 18 elected or appointed officials who are compensated (5 Selectmen; 3 Cemetery Commissioners; 3 Members, Board of Health; 3 Members, Board of Assessors, 2 Constables, Town Clerk, Tax Collector)

The personnel environment in Oak Bluffs is very complex due to the breadth of individuals and bargaining units with which the town must interact. Understanding the complexity of this environment has been even more challenging this year due to the transition to a new Town Administrator, who has accountability for implementing the town's personnel policies and practices.

The Personnel Board is eager to see consistency and equitability in all personnel practices, as well as very open communication with the voters and taxpayers. With these

principals firmly in mind, the Board focused on the following activities in 2006:

- 1) Dealing with operating issues as requested by the Town Administrator.
- 2) Seeing that town employees were given annual personnel evaluations. 2006 is the first year that this has been accomplished for all employees.
- 3) Learning more about the town's personal services contracts and making recommendations about them to the Board of Selectmen.
- 4) Starting development of a comprehensive Human Resources Policy and Practices manual for the town.
- 5) Proposing that a new Classification and Compensation study be completed. The last study was conducted more than six years ago.
- 6) Preparing a list of Position Rates of Pay to be included in the 2006 Annual Town Report.

In the coming year the Personnel Board will focus on completing a new Classification and Compensation Study and developing a new Human Resources Policy and Practices Manual. Both of these activities will be critically important for enabling consistency and equitability in all the town's human resource areas.

Oak Bluffs is fortunate to have many capable personnel and we sincerely thank them for their dedication and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

MIMI DAVISSON  
CARL GREEN  
JOHN LOLLEY

## Classification and Compensation 2006

### Hourly Positions

		<u>Low per Hour (Floor)</u>	<u>Top per Hour (Ceiling)</u>
2	Administrative Clerk, Library Assistant	\$14.04	\$15.52
3	Administrative Assistant, Skilled Laborer, Custodian, Deputy Shellfish Constable	\$16.12	\$17.88
4	Assistant Town Clerk, Assistant Assessor, Animal Control Officer, Heavy Equipment Operator	\$16.64	\$18.93
5	Parks Foreman, Town Carpenter, Highway Foreman, Office Administrator, Admin/Lab Tech, Zoning Administrator, Emergency Medical Technician, Assistant Treasurer	\$18.20	\$21.53

### Salaried Positions

		<u>Low per Hour (Floor)</u>	<u>Midpoint per Year</u>	<u>Top per Year (Ceiling)</u>
6	Conservation Administrator, Health Agent, Children's Librarian, Reference Librarian, Tax Collector, Council on Aging Director	\$40,560	\$45,719	\$50,878
7	Library Director, IT Manager, Police Sergeant, Principal Assessor, Building Inspector, Town Clerk, Harbormaster, Shellfish Constable	\$50,961	\$57,442	\$63,924
8	Highway Superintendent, Police Lieutenant, Town Accountant, Finance Director, Wastewater Manager	\$61,360	\$69,165	\$76,969
9	Police Chief	\$71,760	\$80,888	\$90,015
	Town Administrator	\$87,360	\$98,472	\$109,585

### Seasonal & Casual Positions

		<u>Low per Hour (Floor)</u>	<u>Top per Hour (Ceiling)</u>
Unskilled	Restroom Attendant, Parks Laborer; Tennis, Basketball Court & Dock Attendant	\$10.40	\$14.56
Skilled	Library Aide, Lifeguard, Launch Attendant, Marina & Parks Supervisor, Skilled Laborer	\$12.48	\$17.68

**Town of Oak Bluffs**  
**Town and School Position Pay Rates as of Year-End 2006**  
**For Positions Earning More than \$20,000 per Year**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Annual Pay Rate</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Annual Pay Rate</b>
Oak Bluffs Principal	\$101,375	Grade 4 Teacher	\$51,092
Police Chief	\$88,500	Information Technology Director	\$51,000
Town Administrator	\$85,176	Health Agent	\$50,939
Finance Director/Treasurer (including per diems)	\$78,840	Head Custodian	\$49,962
Oak Bluffs Assistant Principal	\$78,755	Tax Collector	\$49,374
Grades 4-8 Guidance	\$75,398	Social Studies: Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$48,658
Highway Superintendent	\$75,000	Spanish: Grades 6-8 Teacher	\$48,658
Information Technology Teacher	\$74,473	Special Needs Grades.3 & 4 Teacher	\$48,475
Grade 2 Teacher	\$73,357	Shellfish Constable	\$47,500
Grade 3 Teacher	\$73,357	Custodian	\$46,805
Grade 4 Teacher	\$73,357	Office Administrator - Selectmen	\$46,410
Grade 6 Teacher	\$73,357	Administrative Assistant	\$46,116
Kindergarten Teacher	\$73,357	Wastewater Plant Director	\$46,000
Special Needs K,1 & 2 Teacher	\$73,357	EMT	\$45,406 - \$42,390
K-4 Guidance	\$72,729	Conservation Commission Administrator	\$44,628
Grade 3 Teacher	\$71,585	Science: Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$44,453
Grade 5 Teacher	\$71,585	Administrative Assistant - Police	\$44,345
Kindergarten Teacher	\$71,585	Custodian	\$43,768
Reading Teacher	\$71,585	Council on Aging Director	\$43,211
ESL Teacher	\$70,868	Highway Foreman	\$42,970
Police Sergeant		Math Grade 7 Teacher	\$42,404
(+ Possible 10-25% from Quinn Bill)	\$70,470	School Nurse	\$42,404
Police Lieutenant		Assistant Treasurer	\$42,000
(+ Possible 10-25% from Quinn Bill)	\$69,973	Grade 6 Teacher	\$41,888
ELA Grade 7 Teacher	\$69,813	Children's Librarian	\$41,877
Grade 3 Teacher	\$69,813	Reference Librarian	\$41,877
Grade 4 Teacher	\$69,813	Secretary	\$41,339
Grade 2 Teacher	\$69,673	Wastewater Operator	\$41,022 - \$36,582
Building Official	\$67,000	Administrative Assistant	\$40,386 - \$31,395
Teaching Librarian - School	\$66,965	Skilled Laborer	\$40,386 - \$31,395
Art Teacher	\$66,247	School Custodian	\$40,310
Kindergarten Teacher	\$66,247	Technologist	\$40,250
Grade 6 Teacher	\$66,060	ZBA Administrator	\$39,712
Math: Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$65,189	Town Carpenter	\$38,820
Grade 2 Teacher	\$64,435	Wastewater Lab Tech/Administrator	\$38,802
ELA Grade 8 Teacher	\$63,781	Assistant Director Council on Aging	\$37,492
Grade 1 Teacher	\$63,781	Highway Administrator	\$37,182
Physical Education Teacher	\$63,781	School Custodian	\$36,345
Police Officer (+ Possible 10-25% from Quinn Bill)	\$62,940 - \$51,729	Head Cook	\$35,431
Grade 1 Teacher	\$62,811	Town Accountant	\$34,320
Harbormaster & Marine Manager	\$61,800	School Secretary	\$33,502
Special Needs Grades. 7 & 8 Teacher	\$60,669	Police Receptionist	\$33,280
Town Clerk	\$58,372	Library Assistant	\$33,196
Special Needs Grade 6 Teacher	\$58,292	Home Arts Teacher	\$33,124
Grade 5 Teacher	\$57,214	Industrial Arts Teacher	\$33,124
Special Needs Grades.5 & 7 Teacher	\$57,110	Physical Education/Health Teacher	\$32,997
Grade 5 Teacher	\$55,611	Heavy Equipment Operator	\$31,904
Math Grade 6 Teacher	\$55,611	Instrumental Music Teacher	\$31,891
Vocal Music Teacher	\$54,995	Outreach Coordinator Council on Aging	\$30,740
Library Director	\$54,525	Town Custodian	\$29,702
Principal Assessor	\$52,806	Library Assistant	\$27,427
		Spanish Grades 2-5 Teacher	\$26,672

# FINANCE

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors is responsible for the full and fair valuation of all Oak Bluffs real and personal property for the purpose of the equitable distribution of the property tax burden. In order to attain that goal, the assessors maintain an extensive database containing the property characteristics of each parcel of real property in the Town, as well as all items of taxable personal property. Additionally, the assessors regularly collect and analyze data pertaining to recent real estate transactions, current costs of land acquisition and building construction, commercial market rents, vacancies, and expenses, and land use issues to assist them in the determination of market value.

Massachusetts General Laws dictate that property be assessed at full and fair valuation as of January 1st preceding the beginning of each fiscal year. We do this through an Interim Adjustment Program.

Every three years, the Department of Revenue performs a procedural audit of the assessors' work to certify that the Town is meeting its statutory requirement of full and fair value. This audit will take place for fiscal year 2008.

The values on the average single family home increased from \$585,690 to \$596,712. Using this value, the tax bill for the average residence decreased from approximately \$3,367 in Fiscal Year 2006 to \$3,335.62 in fiscal year 2007. This is a decrease of \$32.23 over last year. The Fiscal Year 2007 tax rate is \$5.59. This is down sixteen cents over last year's rate of \$5.75. The total value of the town went from \$2,639,493,639 to \$2,816,473,295.

Listed below are the amounts levied through the real and personal property tax, the motor vehicle excise tax

during calendar year 2006, as well as the real estate exemptions granted for fiscal year 2006.

### 2006 TAX COMMITMENTS

Real Property (FY07)	\$15,526,940.82
Wastewater Special Assessment & Interest	\$ 437,315.48
Personal Property (FY07)	\$ 229,652.29
Motor Vehicle Excise (CY06)	\$ 690,446.28
CPA	\$ 389,913.29
Wastewater Lien & Interest	\$ 39,518.99
Boat (CY07)	\$ 12,334.00
Water Lien	\$ 4,571.95
<b>Total Tax Commitments</b>	<b>\$17,330,693.10</b>

### 2006 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

Clause 17D (Elderly, Surviving Spouse)	\$ 4,374.00
Clause 22 (Veterans)	\$ 5,650.00
Clause 37A (Blind)	\$ 1,500.00
Clause 41C (Elderly)	\$ 41,000.00
Clause 50 (Elderly Housing)	\$ 0.00
Clause 18 (Hardship)	\$ 1,941.91
Senior Work-off	\$ 5,250.00
<b>Total Tax Exemptions</b>	<b>\$59,715.91</b>

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE B. LAW, III, Chairman

MELANIE M. BILODEAU, Clerk

MARIE ALLEN

DIANNE WILSON, MMA, Principal Assessor

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

In accordance with the State Statute, Section 6 of Chapter 41, I hereby submit the Annual Financial Report of the Town of Oak Bluffs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. The Town is audited yearly by a certified public accountant. The complete Auditor's report is available in

the Town Clerks Office during regular office hours.

Thanks to everyone for their cooperation over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

KAREN GOMEZ  
Town Accountant

### TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006

#### GENERAL FUND

CASH		\$ 1,717,513.65
RECEIVABLES		
TAXES:		
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2001	\$	634.13
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2002	\$	581.59
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2003	\$	917.54
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2004	\$	6,700.13
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2005	\$	6,596.66
PERSONAL PROPERTY 2006	\$	17,554.06
PERSONAL PROPERTY PRIOR YEARS	\$	726.11
REAL ESTATE 2004	\$	2,877.31
REAL ESTATE 2005	\$	139,557.05
REAL ESTATE 2006	\$	1,022,048.07
DEFERRED PROPERTY TAX A/R	\$	59,869.26
	\$	1,258,061.91
TAX LIENS	\$	1,289,313.13
TAX FORECLOSURES	\$	16,116.96
EXCISES:		
MOTOR VEHICLES 2001	\$	9,322.71
MOTOR VEHICLES 2002	\$	7,891.09
MOTOR VEHICLES 2003	\$	11,766.65
MOTOR VEHICLES 2004	\$	14,355.42
MOTOR VEHICLES 2005	\$	27,032.46
MOTOR VEHICLES 2006	\$	75,998.48
MOTOR VEHICLES PRIOR YEARS	\$	13,969.96
BOAT EXCISE 2001	\$	190.00
BOAT EXCISE 2002	\$	113.00
BOAT EXCISE 2003	\$	175.00
BOAT EXCISE 2004	\$	215.00
BOAT EXCISE 2005	\$	478.00
BOAT EXCISE 2006	\$	2,116.00
BOAT EXCISE PRIOR YEARS	\$	293.00
	\$	163,916.77
ADVANCED PAYROLL	\$	1,375.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 4,446,297.42</b>

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 278,406.90
ACCRUED PAYROLL	\$ 344,399.80
PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS:	
HEALTH/ LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 30,266.28
UNCLAIMED CHECKS/OVERPAYMENTS	\$ 31,187.01

DEFERRED REVENUES:

PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 1,124,879.01
TAX LIENS	\$ 1,289,313.13
TAX FORECLOSURES	\$ 16,116.96
MOTOR VEHICLES	\$ 160,336.77
BOAT EXCISE	\$ 3,580.00
	\$ 2,594,225.87

PROVISION FOR ABATEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS	\$ 146,654.11
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**FUND BALANCES**

RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 76,073.99
RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES	\$ 17,000.00
RESERVED FOR CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 533,019.85
RESERVED FOR OVERLAY DEFICITS	\$ (444.04)
UNRESERVED	\$ 395,507.65
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 4,446,297.42</b>

**SCHOOL LUNCH FUND**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$ 2,104.78
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 2,104.78</b>
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**LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	2090.23
UNRESERVED FUND	\$ 14.55

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 2,104.78</b>
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**HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS FUND**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$ -
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

UNRESERVED FUND	\$ -
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**REVOLVING FUNDS**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$ 478,206.03
AMBULANCE RECEIVABLE	\$ 288,079.41

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 766,285.44</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 6,822.26
DEFERRED REVENUE AMBULANCE	\$ 288,079.41

	\$ 294,901.67
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**FUND BALANCES**

MARINA REPAIRS	\$ 1,525.78
OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS	\$ 3,305.50
INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$ 3,277.23
SHELLFISH FUND	\$ 10,136.01
WETLANDS PROTECTION	\$ 21,351.84
PARKS/ RECREATION	\$ 3,877.13
SALE OF COMPOST BINS	\$ 283.11
AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$ 427,627.17

	\$ 471,383.77
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 766,285.44</b>
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**RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$ 296,318.32
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 296,318.32</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 593.60
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**FUND BALANCES**

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	\$ 72,120.00
WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 53,083.72
FERRY FEES	\$ 170,521.00

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 296,318.32</b>
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**FEDERAL GRANTS**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$ 65,735.10
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 65,735.10</b>
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	-
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**FUND BALANCES**

SHELLFISH STORMWATER	\$	(28,288.49)
SCHOOL CHAPTER I	\$	(25,596.96)
WHIP GRANT 2005	\$	(4,278.00)
WHIP GRANT 2006	\$	(213.00)
LOCAL PREPAREDNESS	\$	(8,961.67)
SMALL CITIES	\$	132,939.93
BIOTERROR	\$	133.29

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>65,735.10</b>
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**STATE GRANTS**

**ASSETS**

CASH	\$	541,465.04
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>541,465.04</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	19,810.51
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**FUND BALANCES**

SPED PLACEMENT	\$	80,404.00
BIKE PATH	\$	27,086.10
SHELLFISH PROPAGATION	\$	18.14
LIBRARY INCENTIVE	\$	(55.83)
STATE CENSUS	\$	1,103.00
DRUG TASK FORCE	\$	(13,044.42)
BULKHEAD ENGINEERING	\$	50,252.66
STATE BEACH	\$	4,309.26
N/R OFFSET	\$	2,298.62
PUMPOUT BOAT	\$	5,332.47
EOCD SEPTIC REPAIR	\$	95,445.27
INCENTIVE	\$	3,280.00
COMMUNITY POLICING	\$	8,999.42
CZM POLLUTION	\$	0.72
ROPES COURSE	\$	514.92
GHSB POLICE	\$	(4,351.43)
SCHOOL CHOICE	\$	260,061.63

	\$	521,654.53
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>541,465.04</b>
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND**

<b>ASSETS</b>		
CASH	\$	338,559.71
CPA RECEIVABLE	\$	30,761.96
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>369,321.67</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
DEFERRED REVENUE	\$	30,761.96
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
UNDESIGNATED	\$	237,454.91
RESD FOR OPEN SPACE	\$	33,701.60
RESD FOR HISTORIC RESOURCES	\$	33,701.60
RESD FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING	\$	33,701.60
	\$	338,559.71
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>369,321.67</b>
		<b>SPECIAL REVENUE</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
CASH	\$	55,773.40
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,773.40</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	2,069.39
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>		
LAGOON POND WATER TESTING	\$	1,640.00
HISTORICAL COMM DONATIONS	\$	387.50
FIRE DEPT MEMORIAL DONATIONS	\$	980.00
COA DONATIONS	\$	(88.87)
COA OUTREACH DONATIONS	\$	809.83
PLANNING BOARD DONATIONS	\$	20,000.00
TOWN REVITALIZATION	\$	5,768.80
EMER MANAGEMENT BOAT DONATIONS	\$	3,000.00
PARK/ RECREATION DONATIONS	\$	242.00
SHELLFISH DREDGING	\$	500.00
OCEAN PARK	\$	4,878.08
TOWN CLOCK FUND	\$	2,879.55
LIBRARY DONATIONS	\$	4,118.00
SCHOOL BLUE CROSS	\$	2.66
PUBLIC RESTROOMS	\$	8,107.46
CONSERVATION FUND	\$	479.00
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>53,704.01</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,773.40</b>

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**BOND FUNDS**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ 11,487.40
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 11,487.40</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
PRIMARY SCHOOL RENOVATION	\$ 1,028.00
FIRE TRUCK/ BUILDING ADDITION	\$ 524.71
PUBLIC WHARF PHASE III	\$ 99,282.74
WASTEWATER PROJECT	\$ 16,263.61
LANDFILL CAPPING	\$ (157,018.00)
LIBRARY CAMPAIGN	\$ 51,406.34
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 11,487.40</b>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
LIBRARY**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ 269,828.99
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 269,828.99</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ -
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
UNRESERVED FUND	\$ 269,828.99
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 269,828.99</b>

**WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ 523,757.13
USER FEES RECEIVABLE	\$ 124,652.29
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RECEIVABLE	\$ 81,049.90
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 729,459.32</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 20,422.98
DEFERRED REVENUE USER FEES	\$ 124,652.29
DEFERRED REVENUE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	\$ 81,049.90
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
UNRESERVED FUND	\$ 503,334.15
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 729,459.32</b>

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ 1,262,780.89
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,262,780.89</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	\$ 4,055.56
RESIDENT HOMESITE	\$ 99,900.05
STABILIZATION FUND	\$ 1,130,406.64
MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$ 8,667.75
WORKERS COMP FUND	\$ (34,598.33)
A K BARBEY POOR	\$ 42,219.87
R CLARKE POOR	\$ 6,071.17
I NORTON POOR	\$ 6,058.18
	<hr/> \$ 1,262,780.89
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 1,262,780.89</b>

**NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ 15,933.84
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 15,933.84</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	\$ 8,933.84
A K BARBEY POOR	\$ 5,000.00
R CLARKE NORTON POOR	\$ 1,000.00
I NORTON POOR	\$ 1,000.00
	<hr/> \$ 15,933.84
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 15,933.84</b>

**AGENCY FUND**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
CASH	\$ (3,836.29)
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ (3,836.29)</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 54.00
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	
POLICE EXTRA DETAILS	\$ (7,113.50)
SCHOOL CUSTODIAL	\$ 123.40
FISH & GAME	\$ (575.20)
FIREARMS PERMITS	\$ 3,675.00
HIGH SCHOOL AGENCY GRANTS	\$ 0.01
	<hr/> \$ (3,836.29)
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ (3,836.29)</b>

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2006**

**LONG TERM DEBT FUND**

**ASSETS**

AMOUNTS PROVIDED FOR BOND PAYMENTS	\$ 24,003,354.23
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**TOTAL ASSETS**

**\$ 24,003,354.23**

**LIABILITIES**

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOND	\$ 5,550,000.00
WASTEWATER MWPAT	\$ 13,611,754.23
10 YEAR GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND	\$ 1,691,600.00
LIBRARY BOND	\$ 3,150,000.00

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES**

**\$ 24,003,354.23**

**TOWN OF OK BLUFFS  
REVENUE REPORT FISCAL 2006**

**ACTUAL  
REVENUE**

**01 GENERAL FUND**

**01122 BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 37.60
RENTAL TO STEAMSHIP AUTH.	\$ 13,879.00
LEASE OF BUS SPACES	\$ 10,000.00
ALCOHOL LICENSES	\$ 98,770.00
MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES	\$ 16,150.00
FAMILY SHELLFISH PERMITS	\$ 3,395.00
YARD SALE PERMITS	\$ 340.00
COMM. SHELLFISH PERMIT	\$ 1,350.00
TAXICAB PERMITS	\$ 8,450.00
OTHER BUSINESS PERMITS	\$ 2,000.00
MOPED LICENSE FEES	\$ 1,700.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 9,082.69
PUBLIC TELEPHONE COMM.	\$ 20.70
COUNTY PARKING REVENUE	<u>\$ 42,000.40</u>

**TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**\$ 207,175.39**

**01141 ASSESSORS**

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 483.36
ASSESSORS DATA LISTS	<u>\$ 1,582.50</u>

**TOTAL ASSESSORS**

**\$ 2,065.86**

**01145 TOWN TREASURER**

TAX LIENS REDEEMED	\$ 136,877.73
PENALTY/INT.-TAX LIENS	\$ 73,664.51
NSF FEES	\$ 85.10
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ 823.04
LEGAL FEES	\$ 1,175.00
LAND COURT FEES	\$ 754.16
EARNINGS ON MONEY MARKET	\$ 173,505.93
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 4,683.32</u>

<b>TOTAL TOWN TREASURER</b>	<b>\$ 391,568.79</b>
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**01146 TAX COLLECTOR**

PERSONAL PROPERTY-2000	\$ 172.56
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2001	\$ 165.02
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2002	\$ 28.16
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2003	\$ 332.63
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2004	\$ 788.44
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2005	\$ 13,619.13
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2006	\$ 203,483.36
PERSONAL PROPERTY-1993	\$ 50.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY-1999	\$ 125.22
REAL ESTATE-2001	\$ (1,628.69)
REAL ESTATE-2002	\$ (336.86)
REAL ESTATE-2003	\$ (442.18)
REAL ESTATE-2004	\$ 2,074.41
REAL ESTATE-2005	\$ 659,816.67
REAL ESTATE-2006	\$ 13,835,906.74
REAL ESTATE-1999	\$ (5.00)
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERT	\$ 11,525.00
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2000	\$ 147.82
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2001	\$ 479.57
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2002	\$ 946.63
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2003	\$ 4,459.21
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2004	\$ 18,368.75
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2005	\$ 194,041.44
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2006	\$ 514,702.49
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1988	\$ 27.39
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1989	\$ 71.28
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1990	\$ 20.00
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1992	\$ 250.00
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1996	\$ 54.69
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1997	\$ 58.75
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1998	\$ 90.83
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-1999	\$ 41.67
BOAT EXCISE-2002	\$ 20.00
BOAT EXCISE-2003	\$ 44.00
BOAT EXCISE-2004	\$ 37.50
BOAT EXCISE-2005	\$ 254.61
BOAT EXCISE-2006	\$ 3,316.50

PENALTY/INT-PROPERTY TAX	\$ 87,685.96
PENALTY/INT-EXCISE TAXES	\$ 17,947.78
RMV-NON RENEWAL SURCHARGE	\$ 8,240.00
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	\$ 11.30
TAX REFUND	<u>\$ 29,311.25</u>

<b>TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>\$15,606,304.03</b>
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**01155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ -
<b>TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	

**01161 TOWN CLERK**

LICENSE/PERMITS	\$ 1,155.00
TOWN CLERK MISC. RECEIPTS	\$ 11,048.66
DOG LICENSES	\$ 3,640.00
CIVIL MV INFRACTIONS	<u>\$ 2,870.00</u>

<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>\$ 18,713.66</b>
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**01171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

RENTAL SAILING CAMP	<u>\$ 10,915.00</u>
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<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>\$ 10,915.00</b>
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**01175 PLANNING BOARD**

PHOTOCOPY FEES	\$ 6.40
FILING FEES	<u>\$ 1,875.00</u>

<b>TOTAL PLANNING BOARD</b>	<b>\$ 1,881.40</b>
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**01176 BOARD OF APPEALS**

FILING FEES	<u>\$ 550.00</u>
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<b>TOTAL BOARD OF APPEALS</b>	<b>\$ 550.00</b>
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**01199 UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)**

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>
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<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>
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**01210 POLICE DEPARTMENT**

POLICE DETAIL SERVICE CHG	\$ 7,997.12
LICENSE TO CARRY FIREARMS	\$ 1,006.75
PARKING FINES	\$ 9,417.22
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 1,045.00
COPIES OF POLICE REPORTS	<u>\$ 388.75</u>

<b>TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>\$ 19,854.84</b>
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**01241 BUILDING INSPECTOR**

PHOTOCOPY FEES	\$ 259.60
SMOKE INSPECTION FEES	\$ 7,880.00
OIL BURNER INSPECTION FEES	\$ 1,275.00
GAS INSPECTION FEES	\$ 12,760.00
WIRING INSPECTION FEE	\$ 28,190.00
PLUMBING INSPECTION FEE	\$ 16,310.00
TANK INSPECTION FEE	\$ 6,330.00
FILING FEES	\$ 12,890.81
PLUMBING PERMITS	\$ 10,575.00
BUILDING PERMITS	\$ 96,976.90
WIRING PERMITS	\$ 22,185.00
SMOKE DETECTOR PERMITS	\$ 11,730.00
TANK PERMITS	\$ 9,200.00
OIL BURNER PERMITS	\$ 2,275.00
SIGN PERMITS	\$ 685.00
GAS PERMITS	\$ 18,005.00
BUILDING INSP. MISC.	\$ 5,548.00
HOME BUSINESS REG FEES	<u>\$ 2,250.00</u>

<b>TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>	<b>\$ 265,325.31</b>
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**01296 MARINA MANAGER**

SLIP FEES	\$ 806,291.32
MOORING FEES	<u>\$ 1,450.00</u>

<b>TOTAL MARINA MANAGER</b>	<b>\$ 807,741.32</b>
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**01300 SCHOOL**

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 3,730.70
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 2,822.50</u>

<b>TOTAL SCHOOL</b>	<b>\$ 6,553.20</b>
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**01421 HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION**

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PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 8.50
HOUSEHOLD TRASH STICKERS	\$ 179,622.50
MISC. GAS REVENUE	\$ 9,986.47
MISC REV TOKENS	<u>\$ 4,255.00</u>

<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$ 193,872.47</b>
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**01519 BOARD OF HEALTH**

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SEPTIC HAULERS' LICENSE	\$ 800.00
PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 59.90
REFUSE HAULERS LICENSE	\$ 1,200.00
SEPTIC INSTALLERS PERMIT	\$ 3,750.00
DESIGN APPLICATION	\$ 13,375.00
FOOD ESTABLISH PERMIT	\$ 16,825.00
PUMPOUT SEPTIC PERMITS	\$ 4,280.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	<u>\$ 740.00</u>

<b>TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	<b>\$ 41,029.90</b>
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**01610 LIBRARY**

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PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 2,291.70
LIBRARY FINES & FEES	<u>\$ 5,302.63</u>

<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>\$ 7,594.33</b>
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**01800 STATE AID**

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LOSS OF TAXES-STATE LAND	\$ 11,305.00
VETERANS ABATEMENTS	\$ 2,688.00
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	\$ 17,570.00
CHARTER SCHOOL	\$ 52,244.00
CHARTER SCHOOL CAPITAL	\$ 22,504.00
CONST. OF SCHOOL PROJECTS	\$ 567,924.00
VETERAN'S BENEFITS	\$ 20,885.00
CHAPTER 70-SCHOOL AID	\$ 546,635.00
LOTTERY BEANO & CHARITY	\$ 72,995.00
STATE AID-HOTEL/ROOM TAX	\$ 187,684.00
CAREER INCENTIVE	\$ 50,255.43
OTHER REVENUE FROM STATE	\$ 303.00
CIVIL MV INFRACTIONS	<u>\$ 58,792.83</u>

<b>TOTAL STATE AID</b>	<b>\$ 1,611,785.26</b>
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**01900 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS**

TRANSFER FROM SPEC. REV.	\$ 185,803.00
TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND	\$ 447,614.00
TRANSFER FROM TRUST FUNDS	<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS</b>	<b>\$ 653,417.00</b>

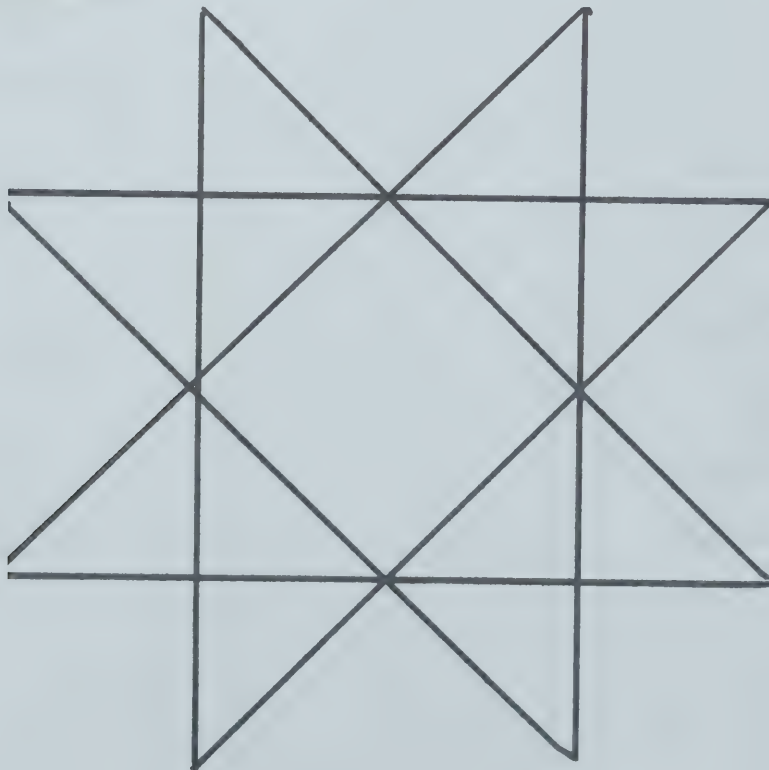
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES</b>	<b>\$19,866,347.76</b>
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**60 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND****60198 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

PENALTY/INTEREST SPEC ASSESS	\$ 116,846.45
PENALTY/INTEREST W W USAGE	\$ 9,329.12
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2004	\$ 5,269.67
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2005	\$ 47,749.63
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2006	\$ 450,239.93
WASTEWATER HOOK UP FEES	\$ 1,850.00
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REV	\$ 485,851.69
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 288.22

<b>TOTAL WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 1,117,424.71</b>
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<b>GRAND TOTAL ALL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$20,983,772.47</b>
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS  
EXPENSE REPORT FISCAL 2006**

<b>ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>REVISED BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED</b>	<b>PCT USED</b>
<b>01114 TOWN MODERATOR</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	325	325.00	325.00	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL TOWN MODERATOR</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>325.00</b>	<b>325.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01122 BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	16500	16500.00	16500.00	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	72613	87778.66	87778.66	0	100 %
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	84000	88461.53	88461.53	0	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1600	1800.00	1800.00	0	100 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	101000	121000.00	119423.77	1576.23	98.7 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	10000	10000.00	9738.53	261.47	97.4 %
JUDGEMENTS/SETTLEMENTS	0	55000.00	55000.00	0	100 %
STM 1/99-ART#2-S.WOODS ST	0	11339.00	0	11339.00	0 %
LAND PURCHASE JAN 18 2005	0	15000.00	0	15000.00	0 %
<b>TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b>	<b>285713</b>	<b>406879.19</b>	<b>378702.49</b>	<b>28176.70</b>	<b>93.1 %</b>
<b>01131 FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>					
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CLERICAL SALARY	3600	5922.50	5922.50	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	1000	0.00	0	0.00	0 %
MEMBERSHIPS	150	15.50	0	15.50	0 %
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<b>TOTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	<b>4750</b>	<b>5938.00</b>	<b>5922.50</b>	<b>15.50</b>	<b>99.7 %</b>
<b>01132 FINANCE COMM.-RESERVE FD.</b>					
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RESERVE FUND	45000	0.00	0	0	0 %
<b>TOTAL FINANCE COMM.-RESERVE FD.</b>	<b>45000</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 %</b>
<b>01135 TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>					
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ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	73000	73000.00	72959.92	40.08	99.9 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	25000	20341.00	20340.61	0.39	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	2500	2159.00	1609.68	549.32	74.5 %
<b>TOTAL TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>	<b>100500</b>	<b>95500.00</b>	<b>94910.21</b>	<b>589.79</b>	<b>99.4 %</b>

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
<b>01141 ASSESSORS</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	4896	4896.00	4896.00	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	103022	103022.00	102771.88	250.12	99.8 %
LONGEVITY PAY	300	300.00	300.00	0.0000	100 %
TRAINING	5000	5000.00	4218.05	781.95	84.4 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	5000	5000.00	4403.41	596.59	88.1 %
CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICES	3500	3500.00	3375.00	125.00	96.4 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	4000	4000.00	1691.05	2308.95	42.3 %
<b>TOTAL ASSESSORS</b>	<b>125718</b>	<b>125718.00</b>	<b>121655.39</b>	<b>4062.61</b>	<b>96.8 %</b>
<b>01144 TREASURER(FIXED P/R COST)</b>					
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FICA (MEDICARE)	95000	114220.34	114220.34	0	100 %
PENSION FUND	532972	548216.00	548216.00	0	100 %
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	20000	34818.93	34818.93	0	100 %
MED. INS.-EMPLOYER CONT.	1620323	1603999.62	1603999.62	0	100 %
COMPUTER P/R SERV. CON.	8500	8344.38	8344.38	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL TREASURER(FIXED P/R COST)</b>	<b>2276795</b>	<b>2309599.27</b>	<b>2309599.27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 %</b>
<b>01145 TOWN TREASURER</b>					
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ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	56582	72073.03	72072.03	1.00	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	500	300.00	300.00	0	100 %
TAX TITLE EXPENSES	30000	34921.44	34921.44	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	500	1101.36	1101.36	0	100 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	2000	399.42	399.42	0	100 %
ADMIN FEES - MWPAT	20254	20065.31	20065.31	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL TOWN TREASURER</b>	<b>109836</b>	<b>128860.56</b>	<b>128859.56</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01146 TAX COLLECTOR</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	47472	47472.10	47472.10	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	64603	57602.90	56612.73	990.17	98.3 %
COLLECTOR OF ACCTS SALARY	3021	3021.00	2787.55	233.45	92.3 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	14778	14778.00	14528.81	249.19	98.3 %
<b>TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>129874</b>	<b>122874.00</b>	<b>121401.19</b>	<b>1472.81</b>	<b>98.8 %</b>
<b>01155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>					
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ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	51000	54147.00	54146.48	0.52	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1000	0.00	0.00	0	0 %
COMPUTER TRAINING	5000	5000.00	5000.00	0	100 %

<b>ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>REVISED BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED</b>	<b>PCT USED</b>
COMPUTER SUPPLIES/EXPENSE	13000	13000.00	12428.69	571.31	95.6 %
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	56829	56829.00	54652.55	2176.45	96.2 %
HARDWARE UPGRADE	10000	10000.00	9990.15	9.85	99.9 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	98.77	98.77	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>136829</b>	<b>139074.77</b>	<b>136316.64</b>	<b>2758.13</b>	<b>98 %</b>
<b>01161 TOWN CLERK</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	56126	56126.19	56126.19	0.00	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	36848	37083.81	36970.37	113.44	99.7 %
LONGEVITY PAY	500	500.00	500.00	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	2830	2830.00	2760.59	69.41	97.5 %
<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK</b>	<b>96304</b>	<b>96540.00</b>	<b>96357.15</b>	<b>182.85</b>	<b>99.8 %</b>
<b>01163 BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>					
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ELECTED OFFICIALS	2000	2000.00	2000.00	0.00	100 %
CONSTABLES	1000	1000.00	875.00	125.00	87.5 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	10000	10817.72	10817.72	0.00	100 %
TRAINING	50	0.75	0.00	0.75	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	2950	2999.25	2999.25	0.00	100 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	160.00	160.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL BOARD OF REGISTRARS</b>	<b>16000</b>	<b>16977.72</b>	<b>16851.97</b>	<b>125.75</b>	<b>99.3 %</b>
<b>01171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>					
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ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	39674	42085.92	41990.89	95.03	99.8 %
CARETAKER'S SALARY	11370	11370.08	11370.08	0.00	100 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	1500	1100.00	742.50	357.50	67.5 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	970	1570.00	1183.57	386.43	75.4 %
MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	5550	5550.00	5331.59	218.41	96.1 %
TRAVEL EXPENSES	200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	500	500.00	439	61.50	87.7 %
MEMBERSHIPS	150	150.00	150.00	0.00	100 %
E. CHOP ART#7 STM 6/01	0	3000.00	0.00	3000.00	0 %
SAILING CAMP STM	0	10000.00	2157	7843.00	21.6 %
<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>59914</b>	<b>75326.00</b>	<b>63364.13</b>	<b>11961.87</b>	<b>84.1 %</b>
<b>01175 PLANNING BOARD</b>					
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CLERICAL SALARY	3818	3818.00	1952.56	1865.44	51.1 %
CONSULTING ENGINEERING	2600	2600.00	0	2600.00	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	725	725.00	0	725.00	0 %
<b>TOTAL PLANNING BOARD</b>	<b>7143</b>	<b>7143.00</b>	<b>1952.56</b>	<b>5190.44</b>	<b>27.3 %</b>

**ACCOUNTS FOR  
01 GENERAL FUND**

**ORIGINAL REVISED ACTUAL AVAILABLE PCT  
BUDGET BUDGET EXPENSES UNEXPENDED USED**

**01199 UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)**

ART#5 STM 12/03 SEWER TOWN B	0.00	40400.00	0.00	40400.00	0 %
ART#7 STM 12/03 SCHEMATIC DE	0.00	2576.78	1800.00	776.78	69.9 %
INSURANCE EXPENSE	360000	312054.00	312054.00	0.00	100 %
STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	80000	58000.00	57480.40	519.60	99.1 %
TOWN REPORT	8000	8000.00	7605.00	395.00	95.1 %
SELF INSURANCE TRUST FND.	15000	15000.00	15000.00	0.00	100 %
TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	70000	129088.00	129088.00	0.00	100 %
COPY MACHINE SUPPLIES	15000	9583.77	5657.00	3926.77	59 %
LEASE LAND FOR DRAINAGE	1250	1250.00	1250.00	0.00	100 %
ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL	20000	60208.27	51446.99	8761.28	85.4 %
ANNUAL AUDIT	32000	32000.00	28000.00	4000.00	87.5 %
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	44000	53872.35	53872.35	0.00	100 %
ADVERTISING	8000	8000.00	3012.91	4987.09	37.7 %
POSTAGE	26000	15698.13	14020.8	1677.33	89.3 %
OFFICE SUPPLIES	40000	23662.57	22817.13	845.44	96.4 %
MV COMMISSION ASSESSMENT	109663	109663.00	109663.00	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	158000	36120.87	35620.87	500.00	98.6 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	4246.80	4246.80	0.00	100 %
ART#7 6/00 EASEMENT	0	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	0 %
DEP ESCROW ARTICLE	0	100000.00	0.00	100000.00	0 %
<b>TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)</b>	<b>986913</b>	<b>1020424.54</b>	<b>852635.25</b>	<b>167789.29</b>	<b>83.6 %</b>

**01210 POLICE DEPARTMENT**

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	28875	30296.34	30296.34	0.00	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	4200	2800.00	2500.00	300.00	89.3 %
POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY	77233	77233.00	77233.00	0.00	100 %
LIEUTENANT SALARY	67935	74179.66	74136.28	43.38	99.9 %
PATROLMEN SALARIES	455230	495034.27	492912.96	2121.31	99.6 %
SUMMER TEMP. & SPEC POL.	179081	182219.63	182219.63	0.00	100 %
PATROL SERGEANT	122000	143006.29	143006.29	0.00	100 %
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	39375	41478.00	41477.5	0.50	100 %
QUINN BILL ENCUMBRANCE	127748	67802.00	67669.52	132.48	99.8 %
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	29320	30620.00	30619.36	0.64	100 %
ASST ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	8358	4155.00	4114.82	40.18	99 %
ANIMAL CONTROL OTHER CHARGES	3000	415.05	415.05	0.00	100 %
DETECTIVE SALARY	51546	61903.00	61788.75	114.25	99.8 %
ADDITIONAL SALARY EXPENSE	141480	184358.00	183176.39	1181.61	99.4 %
DELTA DENTAL	3700	3234.00	3234.00	0.00	100 %
LEGAL PROTECTION	1800	1125.00	1125.00	0.00	100 %
TRAFFIC VIOLATION	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	100 %
UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	43000	46425.95	46689.65	-263.70	100 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	15000	15000.00	15000	0.00	100 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	1483.79	1483.79	0.00	100 %
DRUG TASK FORCE MATCH ART#7	7000	7000.00	7000.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>1406881</b>	<b>1470768.98</b>	<b>1467098.33</b>	<b>3670.65</b>	<b>99.8 %</b>

**ACCOUNTS FOR  
01 GENERAL FUND**

ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
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**01220 FIRE DEPARTMENT**

SALARIES	94900	96612.50	95038.48	1574.02	98.4 %
NON RELATED INCIDENTS	5000	1700.00	1700.00	0.00	100 %
BUILDING REPAIRS	4000	4000.00	3997.6	2.40	99.9 %
FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	1000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	43363	47663.00	47523.60	139.40	99.7 %
STM DRAINAGE	0	10000.00	10000.00	0.00	100 %
EMERGENCY GENERATOR	0	20000.00	0.00	20000.00	0 %
<b>TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>148263</b>	<b>179975.50</b>	<b>158259.68</b>	<b>21715.82</b>	<b>87.9 %</b>

**01231 AMBULANCE SERVICE**

SALARIES	166238	166238.00	159304.62	6933.38	9.58 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1000	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	0 %
SHIFT PAY	60890	60890.00	55250.00	5640.00	90.7 %
RUN PAY	840	840.00	0.00	840.00	0 %
TRAINING & TUITION	35000	30600.00	5542.98	25057.02	18.1 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	29000	33400.00	33243.86	156.14	99.5 %
EMS PLAN T.M. FY05	0	684.76	660	24.76	96.4 %
ART. #16 4/11 AMBULANCE	0	85394.00	0.00	85394.00	0 %
STM PARAMEDIC TRAINING	0	25000.00	23695.06	1304.94	94.8 %
<b>TOTAL AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>	<b>292968</b>	<b>404046.76</b>	<b>277696.52</b>	<b>126350.24</b>	<b>68.7 %</b>

**01241 BUILDING INSPECTOR**

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	91032	143592.33	143592.33	0.00	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	300	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 %
SEPERATE INSPECTORS	800	800.00	800.00	0.00	100 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	20000	82545.51	82545.51	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	260	1391.72	1391.72	0.00	100 %
MEMBERSHIPS	200	181.34	50.00	131.34	27.6 %
INSTRUCTIONAL & CONF.	2000	886.94	886.94	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>	<b>114592</b>	<b>229397.84</b>	<b>229266.50</b>	<b>131.34</b>	<b>99.9 %</b>

**01249 SHELLFISH**

CONSTABLE SALARY/SALARIES	86358	86358.00	82793.95	3564.05	95.9 %
LONGEVITY PAY	500	500.00	500.00	0.00	100 %
HOLIDAY, OVERTIME PAY	2976	2976.00	2599.92	376.08	87.4 %
TWN SH-MARINE BIOLOGIST	30000	25000.00	25000.00	0.00	100 %
LITTLE BRIDGE DREDGING	0	20000.00	20000.00	0.00	100 %
FRGHT, ADV, PSTG & RINGS	250	163.49	90.26	73.23	55.2 %
SUPPLIES	2200	7732.41	7732.41	0.00	100 %

<b>ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>REVISED BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED</b>	<b>PCT USED</b>
TRAVEL CONF. & DUES	1765	1765.00	1765.00	0.00	100 %
EQUIPMENT	1250	804.10	804.10	0.00	100 %
ESTUARIES PROJ STM APR04 ART#	29500	29500.00	0.00	29500.00	0 %
CHANNEL DREDGING	5000	5000.00	5000.00	0.00	100 %
ESTUARIES	0	20000.00	0.00	20000.00	0 %
<b>TOTAL SHELLFISH</b>	<b>159799</b>	<b>199799.00</b>	<b>146285.64</b>	<b>53513.36</b>	<b>73.2 %</b>
<b>01291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>					
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OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	4000	4000.00	3972.82	27.18	99.3 %
RESCUE BOAT DOCK STM JUNE 200	0	12500.00	11759.00	741.00	94.1 %
RADIO EQUIPMENT	0	2000.00	2000.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>4000</b>	<b>18500.00</b>	<b>17731.82</b>	<b>768.18</b>	<b>95.8 %</b>
<b>01296 MARINA MANAGER</b>					
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SALARIES	204517	203517.00	187591.30	15925.70	92.2 %
LONGEVITY	0	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	100 %
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	26000	33500.00	33191.94	308.06	99.1 %
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	6000	6000.00	5985.21	14.79	99.8 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	20000	12500.00	12495.51	4.49	100 %
OB HARBOR SECURITY UPGRADE	0	29500.00	23265.98	6234.02	78.9 %
HARBORMASTERS BOAT JAN 18 200	0	3268.37	2842	426.37	87 %
<b>TOTAL MARINA MANAGER</b>	<b>256517</b>	<b>289285.37</b>	<b>266371.94</b>	<b>22913.43</b>	<b>82.1 %</b>
<b>01300 SCHOOL</b>					
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RESERVE	139263	139263.00	140527.18	-1264.18	100.9 %
ADMINISTRATION	171138	171138.00	164920.22	6217.78	96.4 %
INSTRUCTIONAL	4253440	4262599.00	4154831.22	107767.78	97.5 %
SERVICE	171976	216976.00	211768.85	5207.15	97.6 %
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	341776	341776.00	436679.03	-94903.03	127.8 %
PRIOR YEAR BILLS	0	75025.74	75025.74	0.00	100
SPED ART FY2005	0	85961.00	32100.49	53860.51	37.3 %
OB SCHOOL REPAIRS JAN 18 2005	0	38250.00	1840.25	36409.75	4.8 %
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL</b>	<b>5077593</b>	<b>5330988.74</b>	<b>5217692.98</b>	<b>113295.76</b>	<b>97.9 %</b>
<b>01301 MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG HS</b>					
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MVRHS DISTRICT ASSESS.	2611288	2501288.00	2493864.75	7423.25	99.7 %
MVRHS CAPITAL OUTLAY	155179	155179.00	155179.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG HS</b>	<b>2766467</b>	<b>2656467.00</b>	<b>2649043.75</b>	<b>7423.25</b>	<b>99.7 %</b>

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
<b>01421 HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION</b>					
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ART#9 STM 12/03 SAILING CAMP	0	2730.14	1361.86	1368.28	49.9 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	152456	157538.00	156050.28	1487.72	99.1 %
LONGEVITY PAY	4200	4200.00	4200.00	0.00	100 %
OTHER WAGES	97800	107719.00	88346.75	19372.25	82 %
SNOW & ICE OVERTIME	35425	33980.40	33980.40	0.00	100 %
LABORER/MECHANIC SALARIES	331118	327595.60	324726.33	2869.27	99.1 %
PUBLIC BLDG MAINT	35000	57135.98	57135.98	0.00	100 %
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	57000	82156.57	82156.57	0.00	100 %
TIPPING FEES	228102	173323.31	151580.93	21742.38	87.5 %
RECYCLING MATERIAL DISP.	21000	21000.00	19330.58	1669.42	92.1 %
SNOW REMOVAL	8000	16015.00	16014.39	0.61	100 %
COLLECTION OF OFFAL	4500	4500.00	4376.85	123.15	97.3 %
MAINT FARM POND CULVERT	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0.00	100 %
SWEEPER LEASE	18740	18740.00	18740.00	0.00	100 %
RUBBISH TRUCK LEASE	20000	20000.00	20000.00	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	151525	197894.69	197894.69	0.00	100 %
WASTEWATER FEES	22000	28496.00	28496.00	0.00	100 %
RESURFACING CONCRETE RDS.	250000	202707.45	197960.14	4747.31	97.7 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	3730.54	3730.54	0.00	100 %
HARBOR BATHHOUSE REPAIRS	10000	10000.00	1922.84	8077.16	19.2 %
SIDEWALK REPAIRS	0	40000.00	10838.75	29161.25	27.1 %
TOWN BUILDINGS	0	51913.00	51913.00	0.00	100 %
OAK GROVE CEMT STM APR04 ART#	0	16021.00	16021.00	0.00	100 %
SANDER/TRUCK JAN 18 2005	0	105000.00	105000.00	0.00	100 %
DUMP TRUCK JAN 18 2005	0	40000.00	40000.00	0.00	100 %
TOWN BARN REPAIRS JAN 18 2005	0	18000.00	18000.00	0.00	100 %
PICKUP TRUCK JAN 18 2005	0	25000.00	25000.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>1447866</b>	<b>1766396.68</b>	<b>1675777.88</b>	<b>90618.80</b>	<b>94.9 %</b>
<b>01491 CEMETERY</b>					
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COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	550	550.00	550.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL CEMETERY</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01519 BOARD OF HEALTH</b>					
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BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	8000	8000.00	7999.92	0.08	100 %
CLERICAL SALARY	29557	30823.88	30823.88	0.00	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	300	300.00	300.00	0.00	100 %
SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT	5538	4453.80	4453.80	0.00	100 %
HEALTH AGENTS SALARY	43554	46118.39	46118.39	0.00	100 %
HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL	14416	18852.05	18852.05	0.00	100 %
PUB. HEALTH NURSING SERV.	18685	18685.00	15500.00	3185.00	83 %
ADVERTISING/POSTAGE	540	540.00	0.00	540.00	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	7220	2783.95	1645.87	1138.08	59.1 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	160	160.00	0.00	160.00	0 %
DEP COMPLIANCE FEES	0	14597.00	14596.93	0.07	100 %
SCHOOL SEMINARS & TRAIN.	300	300.00	279.00	21.00	93 %
DUES AND MEMBERSHIP	105	105.00	100.00	5.00	95.2 %
STM LANDFILL TESTING	0	58764.00	18612.90	40151.10	31.7 %
ATM VOC ART#6 FY2004 (4/8/03	0	13954.05	13954.05	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH</b>	<b>128375</b>	<b>218437.12</b>	<b>173236.79</b>	<b>45200.33</b>	<b>79.3 %</b>
<b>01541 COUNCIL ON AGING</b>					
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SALARIES	91862	105792.50	105792.50	0.00	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	250	300.00	300.00	0.00	100 %
OLDER AMER. ACTS (ICOA)	9992	9992.33	9992.33	0.00	100 %
SOCIAL DAY CARE (ICOA)	11222	11222.14	11222.14	0.00	100 %
OFFICE EXPENSE (ICOA)	15696	15695.53	15695.48	0.05	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	7500	7500.00	6186.71	1313.29	82.5 %
STM COA BUILDING ADDITION	0	150000.00	87378.5	62621.50	58.3 %
<b>TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	<b>136522</b>	<b>300502.50</b>	<b>236567.66</b>	<b>63934.84</b>	<b>78.7 %</b>
<b>01543 VETERANS' SERVICES</b>					
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OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	5500	5500.00	166	5334.00	3 %
BENEFIT PAYMENTS	33000	33000.00	14035.57	18964.43	42.5 %
<b>TOTAL VETERANS' SERVICES</b>	<b>38500</b>	<b>38500.00</b>	<b>14201.57</b>	<b>24298.43</b>	<b>36.9 %</b>
<b>01610 LIBRARY</b>					
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SALARIES	244838	244838.00	228460.45	16377.55	93.3 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1500	1500.00	0.00	1500.00	0 %
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	0	135.23	135.23	0.00	100 %
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	58680	58730.00	58226.46	503.54	99.1 %
SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	6500	6900.00	6864.48	35.52	99.5 %
COMPUTER AUTOMATION	12000	11414.77	10605.09	809.68	92.9 %
LIBRARY TECH EQUIP JAN 18 200	0	15000.00	14105.09	894.91	94 %
<b>TOTAL LIBRARY</b>	<b>323518</b>	<b>338518.00</b>	<b>318396.80</b>	<b>20121.20</b>	<b>94.1 %</b>
<b>01612 ARTS COUNCIL</b>					
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OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	500	500.00	500.00	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL ARTS COUNCIL</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100 %</b>

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
<b>01630 RECREATION</b>					
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SALARIES	43493	44798.00	44747.76	50.24	99.9 %
CLERICAL SALARY	83468	83468.00	81131.63	2336.37	97.2 %
LONGEVITY PAY	800	800.00	800.00	0.00	100 %
MAINTENANCE CRAFTSMEN	10000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 %
MAINTENANCE OCEAN PARK	0	10000.00	10000.00	0.00	100 %
TOWN BEACH EXPENSES	700	695.07	695.07	0.00	100 %
MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT	1300	1117.62	1117.62	0.00	100 %
FERT., SHRUBS & TREES	5000	3376.67	3376.28	0.39	100 %
BAND CONCERTS	3000	3000.00	3000.00	0.00	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	16500	18310.64	18310.64	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL RECREATION</b>	<b>164261</b>	<b>165566.00</b>	<b>163179.00</b>	<b>2387.00</b>	<b>98.6 %</b>
<b>01710 MATURING DEBT-PRINCIPAL</b>					
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LIBRARY CONTRUCTION	175000	175000.00	175000.00	0.00	100 %
CONST. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	740000	740000.00	740000.00	0.00	100 %
WASTEWATER	625845	613531.00	613530.77	0.23	100 %
LANDFILL CAPPING PRINCIPA	90851	86560.00	86559.10	0.90	100 %
<b>TOTAL MATURING DEBT-PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>1631696</b>	<b>1615091.00</b>	<b>1615089.87</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01750 MATURING DEBT-INTEREST</b>					
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LIBRARY CONTRUCTION	144507	144507.00	144506.26	0.74	100 %
CONST. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	233400	233400.00	233400.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL MATURING DEBT-INTEREST</b>	<b>377907</b>	<b>377907.00</b>	<b>377906.26</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01751 INT. ON TEMPORARY DEBT</b>					
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INTEREST ON TANS	6094	26.20	0	26.20	0 %
WASTEWATER	238442	232948.00	232947.89	0.11	100 %
LANDFILL CAPPING INTEREST	19182	22426.00	22425.83	0.17	100 %
<b>TOTAL INT. ON TEMPORARY DEBT</b>	<b>263718</b>	<b>255400.20</b>	<b>255373.72</b>	<b>26.48</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>01760 BOND ISSUANCE COSTS</b>					
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BOND ISSUANCE COSTS	5000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0 %
BOND REGISTER & TRANSFER	600	600.00	525.00	75.00	87.5 %
<b>TOTAL BOND ISSUANCE COSTS</b>	<b>5600</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>525.00</b>	<b>75.00</b>	<b>87.5 %</b>

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
<b>01840 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS</b>					
COUNTY/STATE ASSESSMENTS	114633	114633.00	114633.46	-0.46	100 %
AIR POLLUTION ASSESS.	2767	2767.00	2767.00	0.00	100 %
NON-RENEWAL EXCISE TAX	12040	12040.00	13680.00	-1640.00	113.6 %
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY	68436	68436.00	68436.00	0.00	100 %
CTR SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	381509	526028.00	362906.00	163122.00	69 %
SCHOOL CHOICE ASSESSMENT	139272	138536.00	166039.00	-27503.00	119.9 %
<b>TOTAL STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>718657</b>	<b>862440.00</b>	<b>728461.46</b>	<b>133978.54</b>	<b>84.5 %</b>
<b>01900 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS</b>					
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS	0	50000.00	50000.00	0	100 %
<b>TOTAL INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50000.00</b>	<b>50000.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100 %</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</b>	<b>19846852</b>	<b>21320817.74</b>	<b>20368066.48</b>	<b>952751.26</b>	<b>95.5 %</b>
ACCOUNTS FOR 60 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
<b>60198 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND</b>					
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	200287	200249.10	181506.36	18742.74	90.5 %
OVERTIME	10000	10037.90	10037.90	0.00	100 %
INSURANCE EXPENSE	65406	55892.26	53351.00	2541.26	95.5 %
TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	2000	2766.79	2766.79	0.00	100 %
UTILITIES - ELECTRIC	60000	40000.00	37167.61	2832.39	92.9 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	14000	18430.82	18430.82	0.00	100 %
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	14500	19213.52	19213.52	0.00	100 %
SUPPLIES	5000	5000.00	4996.55	3.45	99.9 %
CHEMICAL SUPPLIES	26000	26158.76	26158.76	0.00	100 %
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1200	1200.00	1161.86	38.14	96.8 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	20000	20000.00	19981.46	18.54	99.9 %
MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	5000	5392.48	5392.48	0.00	100 %
SLUDGE DISPOSAL	100000	112478.63	112478.63	0.00	100 %
NEW EQUIPMENT	14000	14000.00	13979.35	20.65	99.9 %
REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	14000	14614.97	14614.97	0.00	100 %
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	2500	2500.00	2485.66	14.34	99.4 %
TRAVEL EXPENSES	2500	2669.21	2669.21	0.00	100 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	1000	1690.00	1690.00	0.00	100 %
MEMBERSHIPS	200	200.00	133.89	66.11	66.9 %
CONTINGENCY	20000	25098.56	25098.56	0.00	100 %
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	0	447614.00	447614.00	0.00	100 %
<b>TOTAL WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND</b>	<b>577593</b>	<b>1025207.00</b>	<b>1000929.38</b>	<b>24277.62</b>	<b>97.6 %</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>20424445</b>	<b>22346024.74</b>	<b>21368995.86</b>	<b>977028.88</b>	<b>95.6 %</b>

## TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

Hereby submitted is the Town Treasurer's reconciliation of cash for the year ending June 30, 2006:

### INTEREST ACCOUNTS:

Sovereign Bank	\$2,134,590.22
Bank North	38,798.58
Century Bank	410,913.90
Mellon Bank	927,745.67
Rockland Trust	263,988.73
UniBank for Savings	485,072.83
Cash on Hand	205.00

### TRUST ACCOUNTS:

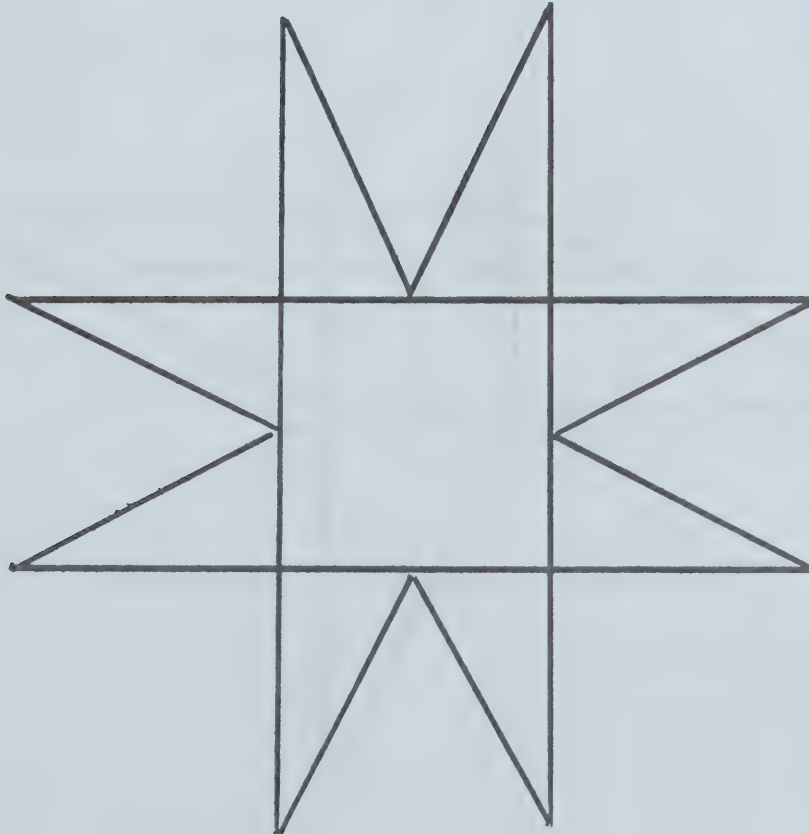
Sovereign Barbey Poor	\$47,219.87
Sovereign Clark Poor	7,071.17
Sovereign Norton Poor	7,058.18
Sovereign Stabilization	1,130,406.64
Sovereign Municipal Building	8,667.75
Resident Homesite	99,900.05
Cemetery	12,989.40

### TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:

\$5,575,627.99

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL M. MANZI  
Finance Director



## TAX COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

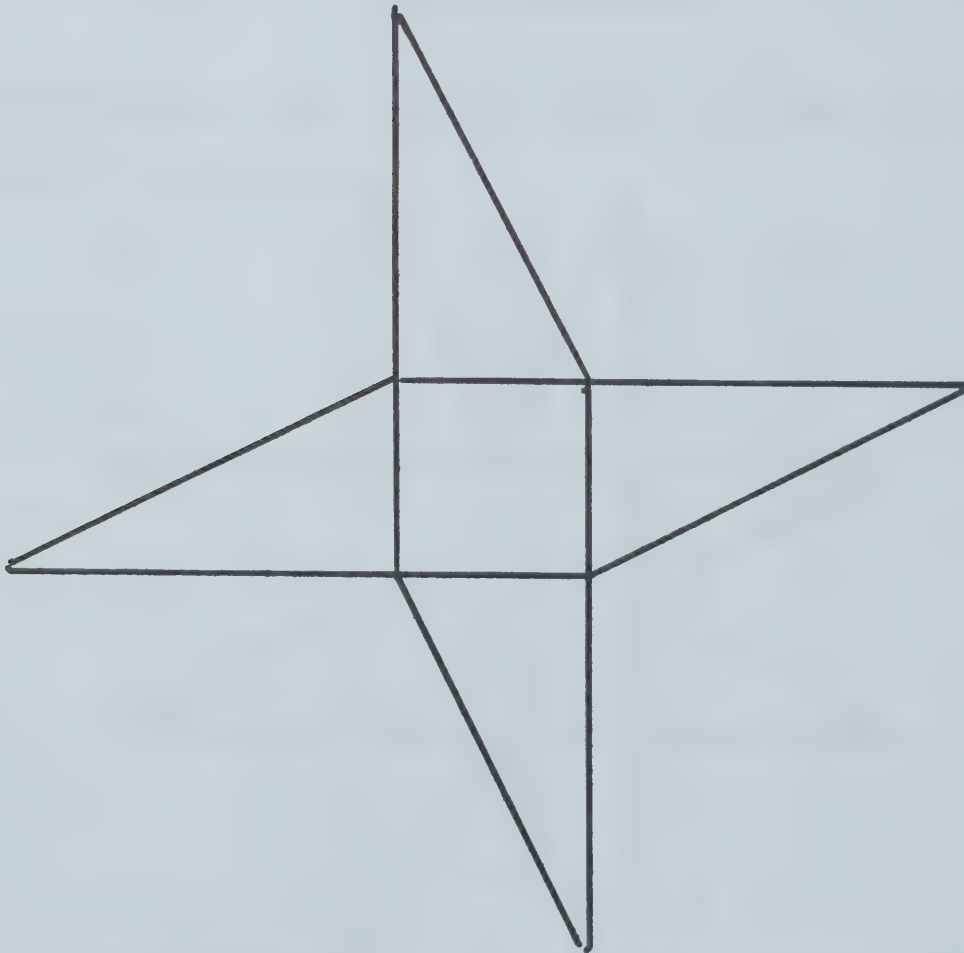
I herewith submit the annual report of the Town  
Collector.

In October we welcomed Matt Stamas to our  
collection office. I would like to thank Nicole  
deBettencourt for contributing to the overall smooth  
workflow of collections this summer and early fall by  
working extra hours while the department was down one  
full time person.

Our total collections for 2006 are as follows:

Real Estate	\$14,575,990.08
CPA	338,021.41
Personal Property	222,311.75
Motor Vehicle Excise	759,817.70
Boat Excise	7,536.21
Waste Water Utility	457,534.58
Liens	66,562.07
WW Betterment	340,299.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,768,073.28</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
CHERYLL A. SASHIN



## FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Finance and Advisory Committee is made up of nine members serving three-year terms. We look into matters affecting your tax dollars, and since most everything the Town does impacts your tax dollars, we are a busy committee.

This year (FY '07) we have had an unusual issue to deal with. For many years the Town has paid its annual assessment from the Regional High School according to a straightforward formula, the key variable being enrollment. This year the Commonwealth offered an option -- a so-called Aggregate Wealth Formula. The accounting behind this formula is baffling, though the underlying intent seems simple enough. Wealthier communities with fewer kids should help out poorer communities with lots of kids. Our committee decided to endorse the new formula because it would benefit Oak Bluffs, perhaps by as much as several hundred thousand dollars. That seemed very fair to us because we have the highest tax rate, the most kids, and the

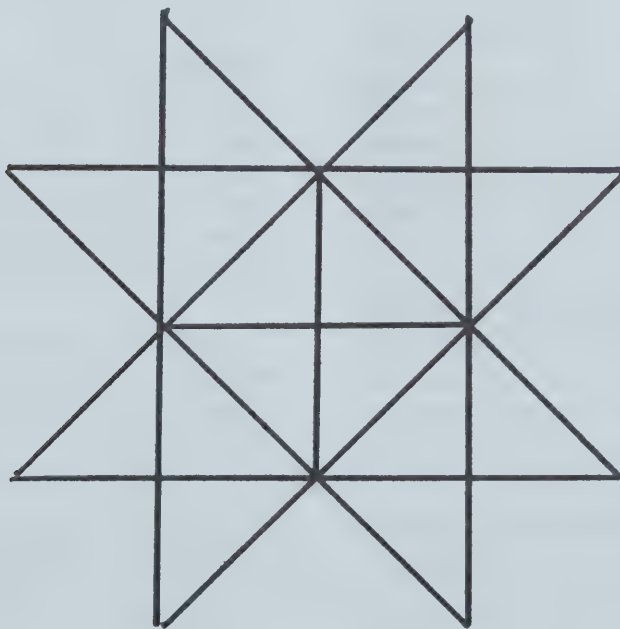
lowest property evaluation totals on the Island. But we were not happy that the formula seemed so incomprehensible and that its impact on other Island Towns did not seem to reflect the underlying intent of fairness. Issues related to this impact on other Island Towns did not seem to reflect the underlying intent of fairness. Issues related to this formula are likely to arise in the future.

We changed Town administrators at the beginning of fiscal year '07. During the period of adjustment our committee cooperated in efforts to improve communication between Town departments -- particularly between ourselves, the selectmen, and the Personnel Board.

But mainly we went about our normal business -- reviewing budgets, making recommendations on the warrants, responding to requests for transfers or emergency funding, and trying to help the Town do its business in ways to inspire your trust and confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER PALCHES, Chairperson



# PUBLIC SAFETY

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen, Citizens and Businesses of Oak Bluffs:

It is with pleasure to provide you with the 2006 *Annual Report* for the Police Department.

Lieutenant Williamson completed the Department's Certification compliance for the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission. In September MPAC conducted an on-site evaluation and review and we are proud to maintain our Certified status. The Department is its fifth year of holding the status of State Certification. This accomplishment is difficult to attain and maintain, however we are committed keeping the highest levels of professionalism and standards.

Sergeant George Fisher continues in his role as the OIC of the patrol/rescue boat. In addition to meeting federal port safety and security requirements set by the Department of Homeland Security this vessel plays an important role directly for our citizens in its ability to respond to local emergencies. The capabilities include search and rescue, diver rescue recovery operations, firefighting, vessel towing, law enforcement and cruise ship/ferry security.

His crew is comprised of members of both the Oak Bluffs Police Department and Oak Bluffs Fire Department. The crew members are Harbormaster Todd Alexander, Detective Nicholas Curelli, Officer Christopher Wiggin, Officer Brian Kenney, Officer Christopher Oteri, Special Officer Steven Pupek, Asst. Fire Chief Peter Forend, Firefighter Peter Martel, Firefighter Matt Bradley, Firefighter Antone White, and Firefighter William DeBettencourt.

Sergeant Fisher's efforts with the United States Coast Guard and Homeland Security have maintained our status as an approved cruise ship port which provides an important economic benefit to the local business community. Furthermore, as indicated above, the patrol boat is utilized in all aspects of emergency management.

Officer/Chaplain David Berube who serves as a Major in the Air National Guard was mobilized this past summer to Guam. Our Department continues to be proud of his active service to our Nation.

Officers Michael Marchand and Daniel Cassidy have been appointed to the positions of School Resource

Officer. Officer Marchand works with the Oak Bluffs School and Officer Cassidy works with the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School. Both officers offer a positive presence in our schools and are instrumental in providing police services, knowledge and problem solving to their respective schools.

The Department is now the grant administrator for the Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force. Tasks include coordinating efforts for all island departments and the Massachusetts State Police as well as administrative paperwork and fiduciary compliance.

The Department is pleased to announce the appointment of Officer Jeffrey Trudel. Officer Trudel has been a Special Officer with our Department since 2004. He is currently attending the Boylston Police Academy with a graduation date in June 2007.

Officer Carrie White resigned from the Department in July after seven (7) years of service. She has remained on staff as a Special Police Officer/ Sex Offender task force member.

### Recognition

The Department won third place in the 2005 Massachusetts Law Enforcement Challenge. The Challenge comprised of Public Safety Initiatives, Speeding, Seat Belt training/enforcement, and Drunk Driving Enforcement as well as community policing efforts. The Department received a hand held radar unit for our efforts.

For the 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row the Department was awarded the AAA Pedestrian Safety Award. Our Department won the gold award for our efforts in improving pedestrian safety in our community.

I have been elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for the Southeastern Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association. I am honored to maintain my position on the Civil Rights Committee for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and I have recently been appointed to the Community Policing Committee of the IACP.

### Training

The entire Department has completed training in the Active Shooter and Patrol Rifle programs.

Lieutenant Williamson attended the prestigious MPLI (Massachusetts Police Leadership Institute) training at UMASS Lowell in October. This training is unmatched in its content and instructors thereby providing today's policing leaders with innovative ideas and initiatives.

Officers Christopher Wiggin and Nicholas Peterson attended the DEA Narcotics Investigation course in March. Officers are trained in baseline narcotics investigations, drug identification and confidential informant policies. This training is required by the Department for members of the Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force.

Officer James Morse attended Instructor Development Program in June. Otherwise known as the train the trainer course, he is now certified to teach in many areas of law enforcement thus allowing us to conduct more in-house training.

Lieutenant Williamson, Detective Nicholas Peterson, Officer Nicholas Peterson and Sergeant Jeffrey Stone of the Massachusetts State Police attended the New England Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association training and awards banquet in May 2006 in Hyannis. They were presented with the award for their outstanding contribution, dedication, and sacrifice to law enforcement.

Officer Michael Marchand attended the National Child Passenger Safety Program. He is now the Departments certified safety seat inspector.

In-Service Training for fifteen (15) summer special officers at the Oak Bluffs Police Department in June included topics of Criminal Law, Motor Vehicle Law, Patrol Procedures, Use of Force, Handgun Retention & Come Along Techniques, Constitutional Law/Search & Seizure, Defensive Tactics, Drugs/Alcohol/ Search & Seizure, Department Operations, Department Chaplaincy, Searching Prisoners, Traffic Control, Town By-Laws, Liquor Laws, Local Licensing Regulations for Alcohol, Parking Enforcement, Fake ID's, Ethics, SARA Model & Problem Solving Exercises, Community Policing & Projects, and Firearms.

The Department was honored to participate in the island-wide flu shot inoculation event. These drill exercises are instrumental in assessing our public safety capabilities and needs. The event went as scheduled and allowed us to explore the parameters of our resources and our incident command training. I look forward to working with this group again and improving upon the response to critical incidents in our community.

### Safety Initiatives

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) awarded the Department an *Honorable Mention* award in recognition of our participation in the 2005 IACP National Law Enforcement Challenge. The award was based on traffic safety initiatives that have been conducted

by the Department. All of the winners of the Challenge were proudly displayed at the 2005 IACP Annual Conference in Boston.

Officer Michael Marchand will continue to assist citizens in ensuring proper installation of their child's safety seat. To ensure your child's safety seat is installed properly, please contact Officer Michael Marchand at (508) 693-0750 to schedule an appointment.

Officer Cammorata is the Department's Family Abuse Safety Team (FAST) and Elder Abuse officer who continues to provide added support and monitoring for the well being of our senior citizens and families at risk of domestic violence.

### Grants

The Department was awarded a \$7,000 grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau to continue supporting our involvement in the statewide *You Drink, You Drive. You Lose* and *Click It or Ticket* Campaigns. We strongly urge drivers to operate their vehicle sober, obey posted speed limits, and to make sure that everyone is buckled up. We are serious about saving lives by vigorously enforcing all traffic laws, in particular those involving safety belts and child safety seats.

With the continued support of the Executive Office of Public Safety (EOPS), the Department maintained its commitment to Service, Integrity, and Professionalism as the recipient of the State Community Policing Grant Award. The funding provided will continue to support the public safety planning for the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, the fifth annual Junior Police Academy, and Cops in Shops program, an initiative to ensure liquor establishment compliance.

In June 2006 the Department hosted the first annual Public Safety Day. Funding for this event came from EOPS grant. Officer Marchand and Executive Assistant Suzanne Cioffi coordinated the event. Emergency apparatus that was available were police cruisers, fire apparatus, Life Flight, Coast Guard, Patrol Boat, and Massachusetts State Police K-9 Unit. The Department received a Safety Seat Grant in the amount of \$5000 and we were able to provide to the community (80) eighty infant, toddler and booster seats. A similar event is being planned for June 2007.

### Oak Bluffs Narcotics Enforcement Team (OBNET)

If you are aware of illegal narcotic use or distribution, please call Lieutenant Timothy Williamson or Detective Nicholas Curelli at (508) 693-0750 or the **ANONYMOUS HOTLINE** at (508) 696-0303. Your confidential involvement can make Oak Bluffs a safer place for everyone.

Officers from our Department are heavily involved with the Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force Team

comprised of officers from all six Departments. The Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force is headed by Sergeant Jeffrey Stone of the Massachusetts State Police. The task force has had a very successful year with eliminating narcotics on the Island by executing: 5 Search Warrants, 10 Arrest Warrants, had 14 Investigations, Confiscated 12 weapons, large quantities of drugs including cocaine, heroin, ecstasy, marijuana, hash.

#### **Chaplain's Report**

The Oak Bluffs Police Department Chaplain is categorized by functions of the Chaplain's Mission Statement: Presence, Support, and Counsel. Officer/Chaplain David Berube has been a beneficent member of our Department.

#### **Ministry of Support**

This was a year of continued celebrations in the area of support. It is a great honor for the Department to be involved in the major events of peoples' lives.

#### **Ministry of Counsel**

For the third year in a row time spent in confidential counseling increased. I'm constantly assessing why this is, yet have determined that it is in part due to increasing confidence on the part of Department members. As our relationship deepens members feel more comfortable seeking counsel.

#### **Junior Police Academy**

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Oak Bluffs Junior Police Academy was a major success. Officer Carrie White is the academy director and taught most of the curriculum. The program ran for four (4) days at the end of summer this year. Twenty (20) children from the island were junior police recruits. The recruits are assembled into squads and Officer White assigned squad leaders based on leadership skills displayed early on. A class leader was chosen and assists the director and instructors. The Recruits dressed in uniforms, marched daily and practiced defensive tactics.

The junior police recruits learn the importance of self-esteem, respect, accountability, authority, and attitude as each theme is discussed and acted on daily. Recruits are expected to salute and refer to the instructors as sir or ma'am. Each day was a new experience for police recruits to see first hand what law enforcement entails.

Recruits received tours of the Oak Bluffs Police Department, the Dukes County House of Correction, and the Edgartown District Court. They also learned daily functioning of each facility. Recruits learned about arrests procedures, drunk driving, motor vehicle stops, and 911 calls. Recruits favored the mock motor vehicle crash that was a collaborative effort between the Oak Bluffs Police Department and the Oak Bluffs Fire Department. Building searches and solving a major crime are among the favorite tasks. The week is finished with a graduation ceremony

where recruits show their family and friends what they learned and receive certificates of completion.

#### **Sex Offender Task Force**

Officer White is a member of the Cape and Island Sex Offender Compliance Committee (CISOCC). It is the first in the state of Massachusetts encompassing more than a dozen police Departments who meet monthly to discuss how we can better track sex offenders and improve the flawed system in the state. With every meeting, the group of participants grows, discussing best practices and expertise to make the tracking of sex offenders run more efficiently and smoothly.

The CISOCC looks at the entire process from when an offender is being released from prison, to the initial interaction with probation, all the way to when sex offenders move into our neighborhoods and the police must make sure they are complying with the laws. As a committee, we discuss the holes in the system and generate better operating procedures. The CISOCC just administered a grant where Protégé computers were issued to all participating Departments to assist in tracking sex offenders more efficiently. Officer White is a sex crimes investigator and uses her experience and knowledge by conducting community educational speeches to both students and adults.

#### **Services Provided by the Department**

Jeannie Pierson, Police Clerk, assists in many matters concerning the general public from Enhanced 911, firearms licensing and lost & found. The last several years along with the assistance of Officer Damien Harris, Property & Evidence Officer, have found ways to give back to the community.

New Eyes for the Needy Inc. is a non-profit, non-sectarian volunteer organization whose purpose is to provide better vision for the poor all over the world. They are endorsed by the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology and the Opticians Association of America. Founded in 1932, New Eyes has helped more than five million visually impaired people. Eyewear that has not been claimed over the years from our lost property gets donated to New Eyes for the Needy.

With the changing technology of cell phones many people ask where they can donate their old phones. After trying our best to find the owners of lost cell phones we send donated and lost cell phones to project HopeLine from Verizon. HopeLine is a program exclusive to Verizon Wireless that puts wireless services and equipment to work to assist victims of domestic violence. The HopeLine program collects no-longer used wireless phones and equipment in any condition from any service provider; the used phones are either refurbished or recycled.

### In Closing

On behalf of the entire Department I want to once again thank everyone who made our transition into the new police station a reality. We are proud to call the old Town Hall building home. I believe that the cooperation between the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Highway Department, Community Development Committee and my staff should stand as a model for proper problem solving in municipal government.

I look forward to new initiatives in 2007 to include internal/community surveys, citizen police academy and an

internal promotional process currently underway, as well as a new island wide police/records management/computer aided dispatch computer system.

With an unwavering commitment to our Core Values: *Service- Integrity- Professionalism*, I respectfully submit this annual report.

Respectfully submitted,

ERIK G. BLAKE  
Chief



### Part I Crimes (Arrests)

Homicide	0
Sexual Assault	0
Robbery	0
Aggravated Assault	12
Burglary	35
Auto Theft	0

### Part II Crimes (Arrests)

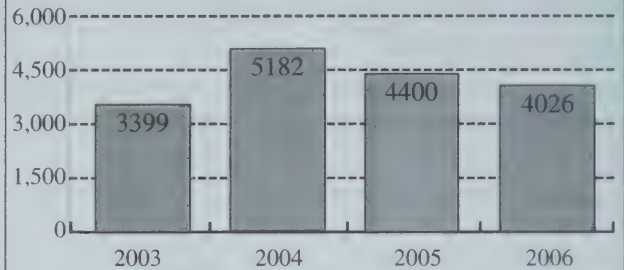
Vandalism	0
Weapons Violations	0
Drugs	15
OUI	85
Disorderly Conduct	44
Liquor Law Violations	7
Total Arrests*	358

\* Represents all arrests made including those listed above

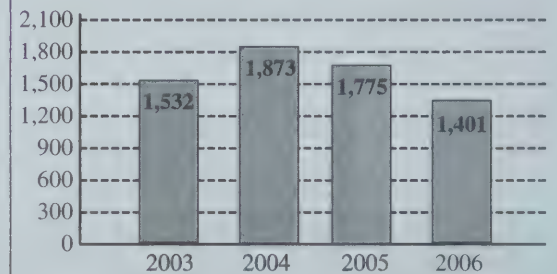
\* Does not include Drug Task Force Arrests

Oak Bluffs Police officers responded to 6,045 calls for service in 2006. This figure represents dispatched, walk in and self initiated incident reports.

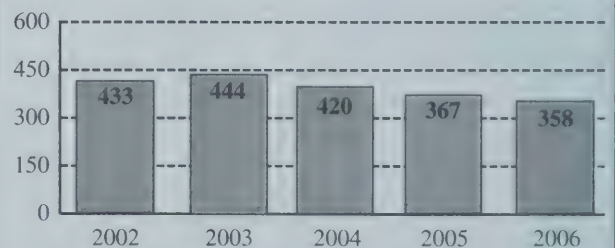
**Parking Tickets Issued**



**Motor Vehicle Citations**



**Arrests**



The Oak Bluffs Police Department issued 210 criminal summonses in lieu of arrest for part one/misdemeanor crimes.

# Oak Bluffs police to host Public Safety Day

Saturday, the Oak Bluffs police department will host Public Safety Day from 11 am to 2 pm at Waban Park. Suzanne Cioffi, executive assistant to the chief, said the goal is "to improve the safety of children under 12 by increasing the use of safety belts, car seats, and booster seats." The event is free and will feature a DJ, refreshments, and chances to win several prizes, including bicycles, car seats, booster seats, T-shirts, and bicycle helmets donated by the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau.

Visitors can expect safety demonstrations and consultations from the state police, the canine unit, and the Coast Guard. There will also be an ambulance on hand offering free blood sugar level checks, according to Ms. Cioffi. Additionally, a medical helicopter is planning on landing in a

## Missing Old Town Ledger Surfaces on eBay

Oak Bluffs police are investigating the appearance of a town land record book that was sold on an auction marketplace known as eBay.

Lieutenant Timothy Williamson yesterday was looking into the disappearance of a Company Tax Ledger from the vault.

Kyle Carson, an Oak Bluffs resident who disappeared last month on eBay, according to the ledger listed for sale. Carson sent to the

In the letter, Mr. Carson said a ledger on the ledger on

*And looks for ways to 'do some good'*

By Aubrey Gibavic

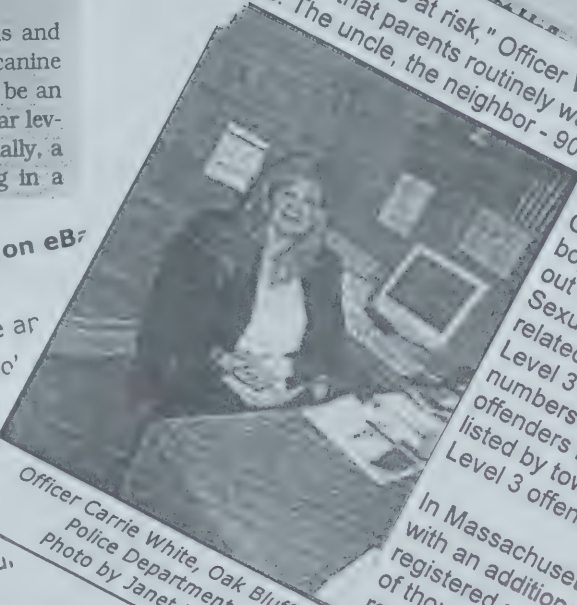
Although the document, Erik Blake used to loiter with friends on Circuit Avenue, waiting for his mother to pick him up after a game at the local game room. Today, he is a

## Oak Bluffs police aim to curb drunk driving

The Oak Bluffs Police Department has announced a partnership with a statewide crackdown on drunk driving. As part of the "You Drive, You Lose" program, the August initiative will continue through the end of the year. It includes stepped-up police enforcement on the roads, and the distribution of information about drinking and driving accidents. Governor's Highway Safety Bureau. "We want to remind every driver of the critical need to be sober and well-rested behind the wheel, to always be buckled up, and to report suspected drunk drivers by dialing 911," said Sergeant James. The prepared press release.

## Oak Bluffs police offer parents tips for safeguarding their children from sex offenders

"Every child is at risk," Officer White told them, but not from the "stranger danger" that parents routinely warn their children about. "Abduction is so rare. The uncle, the neighbor - 90 percent of cases I see are victims of ne-



Officer Carrie White, Oak Bluffs Police Department  
Photo by Janet Heffer

One statistic she quoted: 90 percent of sexual offenses are committed by someone the victim knows. Sexual offenders are categorized into three levels (Level 1, Level 2, Level 3) based on the risk they pose to the community. Level 3 offenders are the most dangerous and are listed by town. The registry provides more information on the whereabouts of these offenders.

In Massachusetts alone, there are an additional 5,000 in the registry of thousands of sexual offenders in the state. The registry provides more information on the whereabouts of these offenders.

## Oak Bluffs Officers Respond to Brawls in Downtown Area

By JIM HICKEY

With the return of warm weather to the Island, the signs of summer have also returned: people on mopeds packing up traffic, license plates from Connecticut and New York, baby-faced

## Oak Bluffs chief chats about change



PHOTO BY RALPH STEW

Oak Bluffs police chief Erik Blake has an eye on civil rights.

that incident when illustrating what it is like to live and work on a small Island.

Chief Blake is also raising a family on Martha's Vineyard. He and his wife Lynn have a 10-

Chief Blake said the community service assignments handed out for juvenile offenders are often creative and designed to teach a lesson. This summer a group of teenagers were found intoxicated on State Beach, where they had ripped down a street sign. When they were apprehended, they proceeded to vomit in the prisoner transport vehicle. "They pled out to cleaning our cars and paying restitution for the sign," Chief Blake said of the innovative penalty. "They didn't like, with a hangover, cleaning the

## Boston murder suspect arrested on drug charges in Oak Bluffs

Following a month-long investigation by Bluffs members of the Martha's Vineyard drug task force, Oak Bluffs Police arrested a former Oak Bluffs

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is my pleasure to provide you with the Annual Report of the Oak Bluffs Fire Department, your Fire Department.

After fifty-one years as a member of the Department, I will be stepping down with mixed emotions. Having served as your Fire Chief for twelve years, I feel the Department has reached many of the goals that were set before us in the year 1995. For this I am very grateful and wish I could have accomplished more, but I am secure in the knowledge that I gave the Department and the Town the best that I could. This would have been impossible without the support of a great many people. My decisions were always made in the best interest of the Department, the voters, and taxpayers of the Town of Oak Bluffs and to present to the townspeople the best Department that we could at the least possible cost. Please carefully study the Fire Department budget figures in this Town Report and you can judge for yourselves if this was accomplished.

Many changes have transpired over the years. Perhaps the biggest change was last June when the Board of Selectmen, made the decision to separate the Ambulance Department, which had been part of the Fire Department since its inception in the late 1980's, from the Fire Department. That is why you will see a separate report from that Department.

We now have sixty active firefighters, an increase of nine new members. These people are taking the firefighter 1 course which requires 104 hours of training to complete. Starting at the individual Company levels, this training is being conducted by all Company Officers. These officers have my thanks for taking on this responsibility.

We are in the process of getting members of the Department trained to the NIMS program under the Emergency Management leader Captain Peter Martell. For this Capt. Martell, I commend you and thank you for all of the time and energy you have expended to complete this task.

Our next project will be the delivery of the new ladder truck which is scheduled for the middle of June. Upon its arrival we will be doing intensive training on it by all members of the company. We will be taking a truck that is fifty years old out of service and replacing it with this new

one thanks to the vote of Town Meetings. The Department is most grateful for this and extends its thanks to the voters for approving of this purchase.

The accomplishments of the Fire Department over these past years would not have been possible without the cooperation and assistance from a great many people. My thanks are extended to all of you. First of all the voters of the Town whose generosity has been steady, the many other Town Departments including Police, Highway and Water have always granted any requests made to them and have continually assisted us in many projects. The Town Hall personnel, including the treasurers office, financial officer, and the Selectmen's office staff have responded to my many inquiries and guided me in the right direction. Our Fire Department Clerk, Eleanor Amaral, has been faithful and dependable over many years.

Since 1995, through the off-Island ambulance transport services, the Town has obtained much needed safety equipment. This includes four ambulances, and all equipment and supplies required for same, three fire trucks, replacement of all Scott air packs and protective gear and numerous Police cruisers all at no cost to the taxpayer. This program continues to operate to the benefit of the Town, and thanks are extended to all who made this program possible.

My Deputy Chief James Moreis, and Assistants Peter Forend and Tony Ferriera have taken on many more responsibilities and been my support in all areas. Without their assistance, the Fire Department would be much less than it is today.

To all the members of the Department who have worked tirelessly in keeping our Town safe, if it be by pumping out flood, rescue work, fighting fires, or donating their time to assisting people in need by lending a hand or raising money for the Oak Bluffs Firemen's Association, I extend my appreciation for all of your help and hard work. I would ask that you give your new Chief the same cooperation and assistance that has been extended to me through the past years.

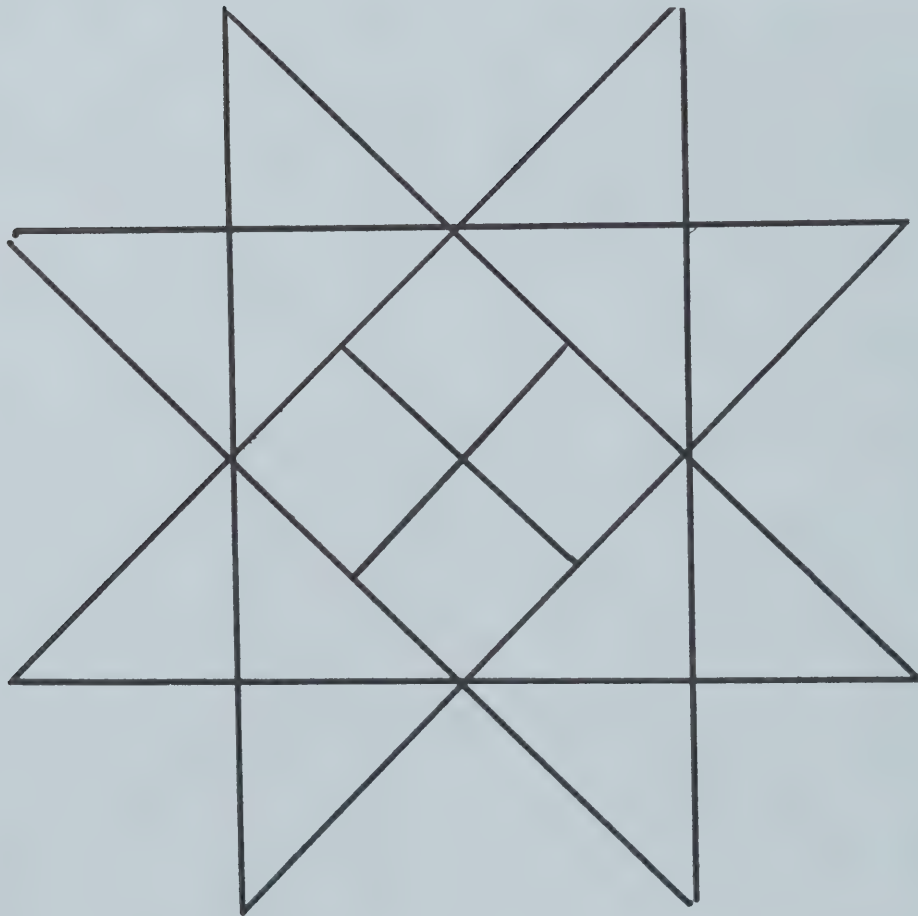
God watch over and protect you forever.

Respectfully submitted,

DENNIS P. ALLEY, Chief

## Oak Bluffs Fire Department Responses 2006

Car Fires .....	3	Illegal Burns .....	9
Structure Fires (2 mutual aid out of Town).....	5	Medical Assists .....	12
Motor Vehicle Collisions .....	59	Chimney Fires .....	5
Cooking Fires .....	2	Boiler Puff Backs .....	3
Appliance Fires .....	3	Traffic Hazard .....	1
Alarms (smoke).....	98	Hazardous Products (leaks).....	9
Carbon Monoxide Alarms.....	8	Boat Fire.....	1
Incident Notification/Investigations.....	19	Water Pumping Details .....	2
Electrical Fires .....	4	Water Craft Incidents (other than fire).....	3
Mutual Aid Responses .....	2	Dumpster Fires .....	1



## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is my pleasure to present to you the 2006 report of the Oak Bluffs Emergency Medical Services.

This year was a welcome challenge as we adjusted to running independently from the Fire Department. With much needed staffing and schedule changes, we have been able to achieve continuous 911 response coverage for the Town, which also increasing the volume of Transports provided for the Hospital. It is a true testament to the heart and dedication of our squad members that 2006 was our most fiscally successful year to date.

In June, we acquired the Police Chief's Ford Expedition to be used as an Intercept Vehicle. This vehicle provides mutual aid coverage by transporting additional staff and equipment to other towns in need of assistance. It also allows for personnel to arrive and initiate patient care prior to the arrival of our secondary ambulance, if our primary ambulance has been dispatched to another emergency.

With the approval of the Town, we were able to replace our 1995 ambulance which had over 130,000 miles on it, for a new state of the art ambulance. Among other remarkable features, this apparatus contains a larger patient compartment, an enhanced lighting system for a safe working environment and a high-tech telemetry system which will enable our staff to transmit vital patient information directly to the hospital prior to our arrival at the emergency room.

Continuing education always plays a major role for our personnel to ensure their skills are at the highest level for patient care. We conducted several drills and classes including motor vehicle extrication, burn management and chemical decontamination. We also provided a First Responder Course for the Fire Department and numerous

CPR classes for the Council on Aging, Vineyard Transit Authority and Police Department. We continue to provide coverage at Varsity Football, Basketball and Hockey games in case of injuries.

We also participated in Public Safety Day by distributing information regarding basic first aid, and assessed blood pressure and blood sugar readings.

I am excited to report that the upcoming Basic Emergency Medical Technician Course yields 9 prospects for our Ambulance Service. Because we are primarily a volunteer squad, we are always in need of additional staff.

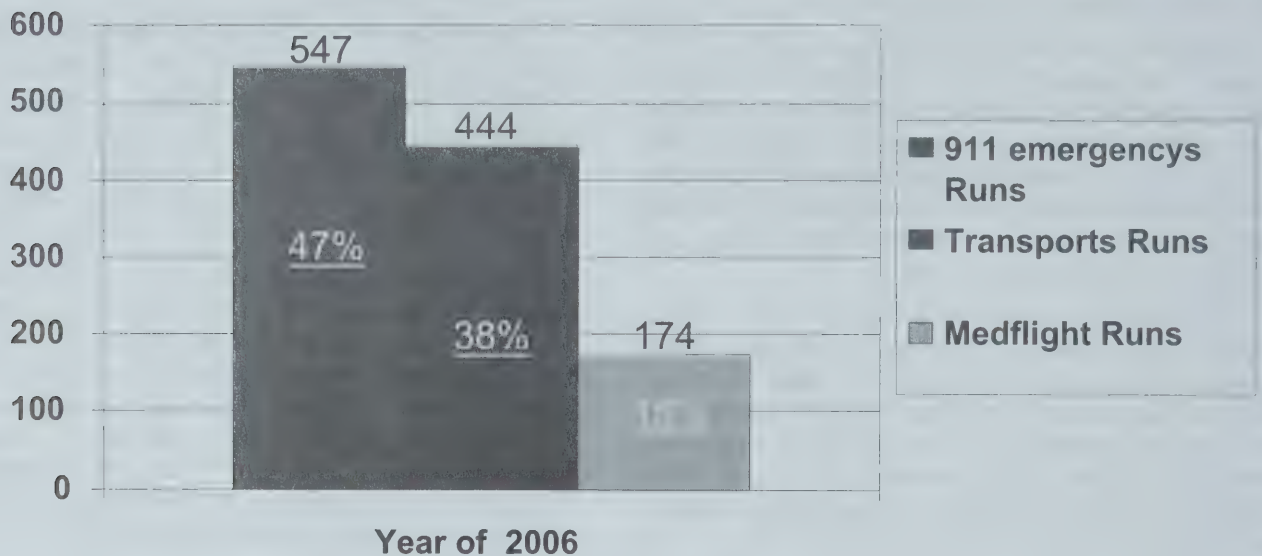
We are currently working on a computerized emergency response program for all Island Ambulance Services. This program will contain GPS tracking for rapid 911 call response, detailed patient medical histories, fire hydrant locations, and the ability to electronically transmit ambulance run sheets directly to our billing company. Eventually all Island police departments, fire departments, The Communication Center and The Hospital will be online. We are hopeful that the ambulance component will be up and running by 2008.

Our goal is to provide the highest possible emergency care for the Town, and that could not be achieved without the assistance of the many departments we work so closely with on a regular basis, that you. To our community, I wish to thank you for always supporting our Ambulance and trusting that we are looking out for your best interest. As for the men and women who form our squad, I am forever indebted to your unwavering commitment to protecting the well being of the citizens of Oak Bluffs.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. ROSE,  
Captain

# OBEMS 2006 DATA



## 2006 Run Totals

911 Emergency Runs	-----	547	---	47%
Transport Runs	-----	444	---	38%
Medflight Runs	-----	174	---	15%
<b>Total Runs 2006</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>1165</b>		



## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

As we are all aware we live in an uncertain world. Our main concerns are Hurricanes/Blizzards, Terrorist Events and the latest a Flu/Bird Flu Pandemic. This has kept us very busy keeping track of all the information that the Federal and State governments have sent out to all the local agencies.

The Oak Bluffs Emergency Services have worked together to develop a number of plans to mitigate any disaster that may befall us. We have begun to stockpile protective clothing and equipment to protect our emergency staff so they will be able to help you in the event of a flu outbreak. The Red Cross has supplied us with shelter equipment in the event of a hurricane.

Over the past year Emergency Management has developed and distributed an Emergency Services Handbook. This will give our residents and guests the ability to know who to call if they have a problem. At the instructions of the Federal and State agencies we have also developed and distributed an Influenza Pandemic and Avian-Bird Flu Preparedness Plan and Information sheet. The instructions are to get prepared and to help yourself.

We have been working closely with the hospital and have dedicated the Oak Bluffs Elementary School as the back-up medical facility for the Island. In the event the hospital is damaged or during a flu event the number of people needing medical attention exceeds the Federal Center for Disease control predictions this facility will be used.

Over the past two years we have attended a number of table-top drills, seminars and port security meetings dealing with all aspects of emergency preparedness. The networking with State and Federal agencies has provided us valuable knowledge on how the system works. We have also indicated to the agencies that we are an Island and need special consideration in getting equipment and supplies due to our geographical location and transportation problems.

Recently we have established a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). This program recruits and trains residents to assist our emergency services departments during any disaster event. In a flu event the predictions indicate that 40% of the population could be effected. This means that our emergency crews could also have 40% of its members out of service. Presently we have 40 residents volunteering and we need more. Our goal is to have between 100 and 150 people trained in all aspects of public safety. Please join and help yourself and your fellow residents. Applications and meeting dates can be found at the Town Hall, Library, Fire Station, Senior Center and Police Station.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the public safety department and the other Town departments for their continuing support in protecting the residents and their property.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER M. MARTELL  
Director of Emergency Management

## BUILDING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

Everyone in the Building Department is working hard to keep up with increasing demand. 43 more building permits were issued from the previous year. The Zoning Board of Appeals heard 55 applications last year, 23% percent more than in 2005. The general public, contractors and homeowners seem to be pleased with the level of service they have received from my office. Every day we are trying to improve both our system of documentation and inspection and personal service to the general public.

The Department is now engaging itself in the three year project of building the new hospital. Coinciding with our new medical facility will be the building of the new drawbridge over Lagoon Pond. A substantial amount of time and effort will be needed to ensure that all structures are constructed safely and efficiently. It is the goal of this

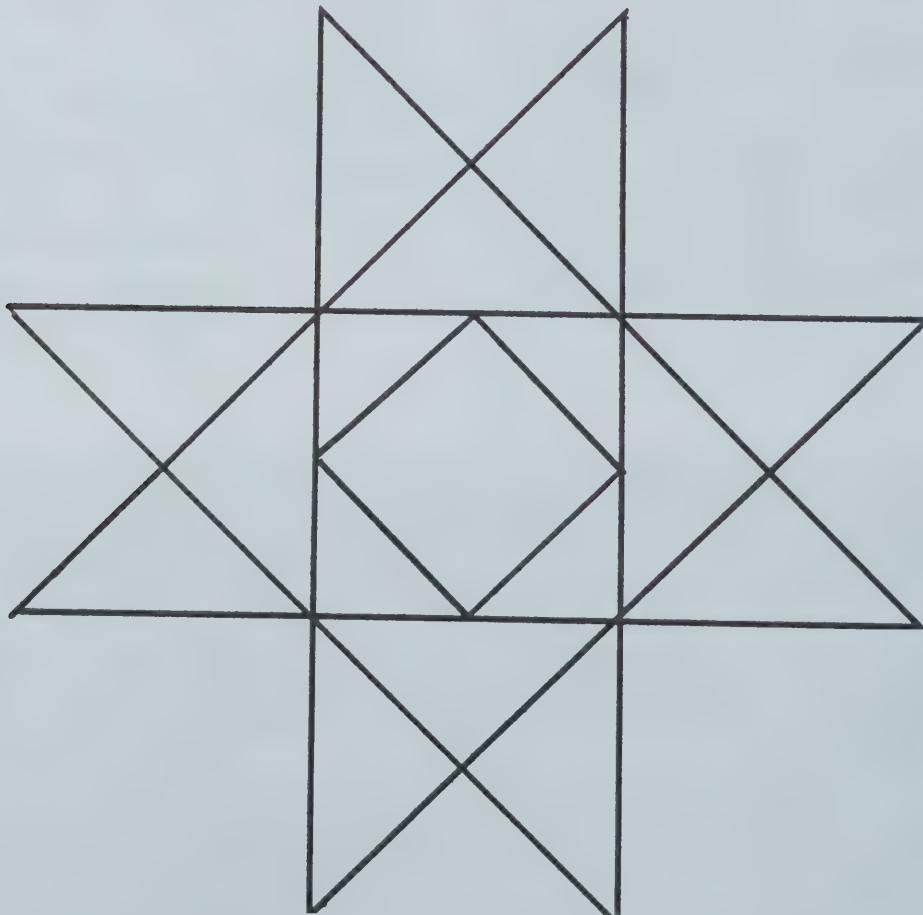
department to provide the highest level of service possible to make sure the building of the new medical facility meets the high standards for construction and all phases of inspection towards final completion.

Thank you to all my staff that helped to make the Building and Zoning Department an efficient and pleasant place to work.

TOTAL BUILDING PERMITS IN 2006 .....	343
TOTAL NEW SINGLE FAMILY PERMITS .....	33
TOTAL VALUE OF ALL BUILDING PERMITS .....	\$20,088,230

Respectfully submitted,

JERRY A. WIENER  
Building Inspector



## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

It is my pleasure to submit to you the annual report for 2006 for the the Oak Bluffs Highway Department.

The Highway Department is charged with construction, maintenance, upgrading and repair of Town streets and buildings, along with the collection and removal of garbage, debris and offal.

The Department is managed by Superintendent Richard Combra, Jr. with the help of Foreman Chris Gibson and Office Administrator Nicole L. Morey. In addition, there are six full-time year-round employees. In the summer months, three additional laborers help with maintenance of streets and grounds.

### Town streets and grounds

The Department maintains the 38 miles of paved streets in Oak Bluffs, re-paving and filling potholes as needed. This year the Town re-paved Barnes Road and a section of Spruce Avenue. There are still streets scheduled for work in the future. Dirt roads are graded depending on their condition and whether materials and funds are available. We also install and maintain traffic and parking signs as requested by the police and the Board of Selectmen. We also maintain the Oak Bluffs School grounds by mowing the playing fields, clearing snow, trimming shrubs and sweeping the parking areas.

Maintaining the streets also includes sweeping the downtown area daily during the summer months, plowing whenever there is serious snow accumulation, clearing the streets and bicycle paths of sand that accumulates on them over the winter. In the spring and summer months, we also trim vegetation along Town roadways and in the cemetery. We put up festive lights for the winter holiday season and take them down when the season is over.

### Construction and repair

The Department is responsible for repairing, maintaining and restoring Town buildings and public toilets. Most of the work is performed by the Town Carpenter Charlie Danielson, who may at times call on other Highway Department personnel for assistance. This year he completed a number of projects: re-shingled the information booth, worked on the Temporary Police Station, built the addition at the Council on Aging, created an office for the Health Agent and made mail slots at the Treasurer's office, the Highway Department and COA.

### Water and debris

The Department keeps one employee at the Town recycling station year round, to collect and dispose of newspapers, cardboard, co-mingled recyclables and yard cuttings and rakings. We collect and dispose of solid waste from Town buildings, trash barrels placed throughout the downtown area, and homeowners' garbage barrels. We are also charged with removing dead animals and other health hazards from the streets. We run own rubbish truck year round, with two employees and a second truck in the summer months because of the additional load.

If you find a dead animal in a public place, and it is a domestic animal, call the Animal Control officer. If it is a wild animal - squirrel, skunk, raccoon, etc. call the Department office at 508-693-0072.

The Town of Oak Bluffs generated 1104.46 tons of solid waste during 2006 and we recycled the following:

Co-mingles .....	106.99 tons
Newspapers .....	140.89 tons
Cardboard .....	64.98 tons

Residents can obtain household garbage stickers at the Recycling Station, the Board of Health office and various markets around Town. Vehicle stickers for use of the Town recycling station can be purchased at the Recycling Station only.

In 2006, household and vehicle permits brought in a total of \$198,187.50.

### Ongoing Maintenance of Town Facilities

Each year, the Highway Department hires five seasonal laborers to maintain the three public restrooms, which are open from Mid-April to early November. One full-time and one part-time custodian clean all the Town buildings except the elementary school. From March to November, Gail Landers works full-time between the cemetery and the recycling station and the rest of the year she works part-time at the recycling station and as needed at the cemetery.

### Assisting Other Departments.

The Highway Department arranges for gasoline and diesel fuel for all Town vehicles, which saves the Town money through bulk buying and allows us to keep track of vehicle use. We also manage and supervise repairs on Town vehicles, except the Fire Department vehicles. We also assist the Parks Department as needed for cleanup after major Town events.

Revenues generated by this Department in 2006:

- Sale of Cemetery Lots: .....\$ 2,550.00
- Snow Removal Contracts (2) .....\$ 4,000.00
- Gas Revenue .....\$ 10,695.41
- Shower Tokens .....\$3,350.00

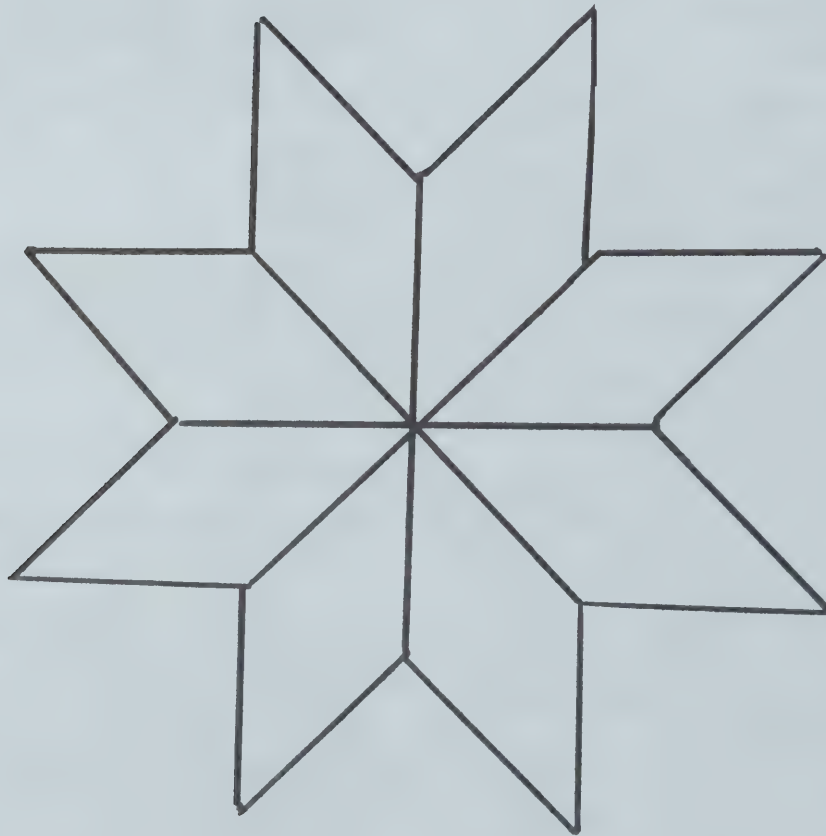
We again would like to thank Jardin Mahoney for the that graced the Post Office Mall for the Christmas season and the Oak Bluffs Business Association for its support in

our mutual endeavors to beautify the Town of Oak Bluffs.

And I would like to thank all other Town departments for their cooperation and the employees of the Highway Department for their hard work and diligence.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD COMBRA, JR.  
Highway Superintendent



## WASTEWATER COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

First, for the record, our busiest day was August 18 with 194,528 gallons received. Our average for the summer period (June, July, and August) in 2006 was 128,225 gallons per day. Our average for the summer period (June, July, and August) in 2005 was 126,253 gallons per day.

The total gallons of wastewater treated during 2006 was approximately 23 million gallons, the total wastewater treated in 2005 was 22 million.

The Commission approved an extension of the sewer system down Dukes County Ave to Wing Road. The entire cost of this project is being paid for by some of the commercial properties located on the street.

We are working on 3 capital projects that have been approved at town meeting. The projects are a primary clarifier, sludge dewatering, & septage treatment capabilities. Due to skyrocketing costs it appears that we will have to put off some of these projects to a later date.

We replaced the boiler at the treatment facility with a much better quality furnace and this one should last for many years.

Our Lab Technician/Administrator Melissa Hammond resigned to accept a job at Bristol Community College where she will be working in the sciences department. Melissa was excellent at performing her job and I wish her the best of luck in her new position. Some of you may remember that I hired Melissa about 15 months ago after Lisa Merritt transferred to the Building and Zoning Office. I'm very pleased and fortunate to let everyone know that Lisa has decided to transfer back to the Wastewater Facility.

We would like to ask everyone for their help in dealing with our major problem here at the treatment facility. This problem is disposing of grease. We ask everyone not to pour grease down the drain or into the toilet. Whether you are on the sewer system or not, please pour your grease into coffee cans and dispose of it with your trash. By doing this you will add many years of life onto your septic systems, and you will help alleviate operational and odor problems here at the treatment facility.

Susan Desmarais stepped down as a Wastewater Commissioner. It was a pleasure working with Susan and I wish her well moving forward. Susan's position has been filled by Hans Von Steiger who joins Bob Iadicicco and Richard Combra to make up the current Wastewater Commission. I thank the Wastewater Commission for their support and responsible decision making throughout the year.

I must thank the staff here at the Facility. They are Lisa Merritt, Lab Technician & Administrator. Lisa is a State licensed grade 6 Wastewater Operator. It's great having Lisa back. She knows the job, she knows the plant and I'm very thankful to have her back on our team. Jim Montieth, Mechanic/Operator. Jim is a State licensed grade 6 Wastewater Operator. Jim is our most senior operator and his knowledge about how the plant runs and what process changes will be needed as we enter different seasons is a key factor to the successful running of our department. Ken O'Connor, our newest mechanic operator is due huge congratulations as this year he passed the Massachusetts State Exam and is now a Grade 6 Wastewater Operator. Ken has been a great addition to our team, he's smart, energetic, and a self starter and rounds off what I consider to be one of the best departments in Oak Bluffs.

The Town in general, and me specifically are very fortunate to have the employees we do. It's a pleasure to work with them & they truly work in the best interests of the Town of Oak Bluffs.

Lastly I want to thank the residents of Oak Bluffs for all the support they have shown to the department over the past five years.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH N. ALOSSO,  
Chief Operator

### Average Daily Flows

Month	2003	2004	2005	2006
January	14,745	22,433	26,084	23,620
February	10,591	21,024	22,787	22,640
March	16,839	21,901	26,082	22,738
April	21,943	30,790	29,199	34,219
May	44,097	52,899	54,333	59,647
June	85,086	90,322	87,597	91,102
July	95,348	142,455	139,510	140,482
August	140,184	149,923	151,651	153,090
September	77,738	95,269	89,211	86,821
October	31,788	55,971	50,900	54,924
November	38,915	26,876	30,542	34,403
December	20,604	24,098	22,980	24,215

### Summer Averages (June, July, August)

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
71,076	106,872	127,567	126,253	128,255

### Total gallons treated

2003	2004	2005	2006
18 million	26 million	22 million	23 million
2002 highest flow day was August 10 with 152,949 gallons.			
2003 highest flow day was August 11 with 189,548 gallons.			
2004 highest flow day was August 1 with 193,810 gallons.			
2005 highest flow day was August 19 with 211,143 gallons.			
2006 highest flow day was August 18 with 194,528 gallons.			

# RECREATION & NATURAL RESOURCES

## SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs

We continued to culture juvenile shellfish through their first season of life before planting them into municipal growing areas for future recreational or commercial take. In all we handled 4,399,000 seed shellfish. The majority of this seed was supplied by the Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group. Again this year we worked with four shellfish species, quahog, steamer clam, bay scallop and oyster.

I was honored to be invited to present the work we have been doing with the steamer clams at two prestigious conferences this past year (Milford Aquaculture Seminar and the 98th Annual National Shellfisheries Association Conference). Oak Bluffs is one of the few public or private agencies currently culturing the steamer clam. Our efforts have shown that by growing the small seed in the upweller in Oak Bluffs Harbor we are able to increase their growth rate. For three years now we have gotten them to grow from 2-4 mm to over 15 mm (1/2 inch) in only four weeks. At this size they need to be transferred to sand filled

one inch. By the end of the second growing season they reach the minimum harvest size of 2 inches in length. By being able to demonstrate that a marketable product can be grown in two summers, this species becomes much more attractive to private aquaculturists. A summary of the presentation was published in the "Journal of Shellfish Research" August 2006 issue.

Our work with the steamer clam was also the subject of an environmental education cable TV segment that was produced by Protect Our Waters (POW). The title was "Growing Shellfish in Oak Bluffs". The show has been aired many times on MVT. We have also been part of three other productions aired on MVT, most recently "Do You Know Where Your Quahogs Come From".

Our work to restore Farm Pond continued this year. We continued to work with any and all stake holders with interest in the pond. I had the opportunity this past August to discuss the work on Farm Pond with the Hart Haven Association at an event they hosted during Jane Goodall's visit to the Island.



Danielle Ewart working with the steamer clam seed on the upweller

nursery rafts where they remain until September when we plant them out. By this time the majority of them are over



Farm Pond Marsh

We were able to develop a partnership with The Nature Conservancy and had invaluable assistance this year with the help of their summer interns. We began developing a species inventory list of fish and invertebrates found in the pond, took 200 samples to estimate the current population of steamer clams and quahogs, and began marsh vegetation monitoring. Personnel from the Martha's Vineyard Commission mapped the eel grass meadow so we could compare that map with a mapping done in 1998. We also continued to monitor the water quality and assist Massachusetts Estuaries Project in their sampling within the pond. We received the report on the flushing and circulation study, paid for by the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management's Wetland Restoration Division. The bottom

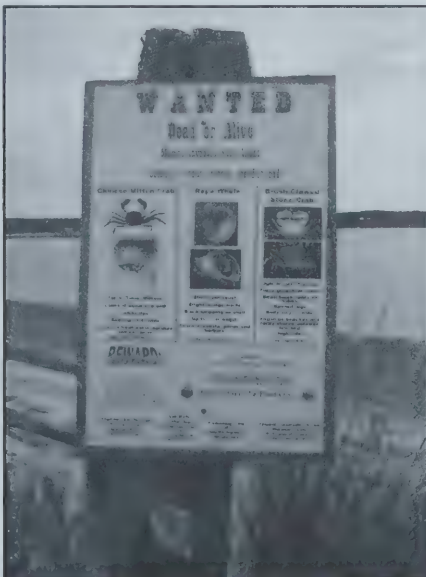
line of the report confirms that the existing culvert that connects Farm Pond to Nantucket Sound is too small and creates a severe flow restriction. The computer modeling done indicates that the connection should be at least 16 feet across, not the 47 inches of the existing culvert. There is much more work that still needs to be done and at least one more field season of data collection before we can begin to seek grant funding to implement corrective action.



US EPA Coastal Explorer

The US Environmental Protection Agency's Atlantic Ecology Division returned to Lagoon Pond for two weeks to collect another round of data in their efforts to develop (the first ever) a computer model using habitat indexing to assist efforts of bay scallop and eel grass restoration projects. The Lagoon Pond was chosen as their project site in part due to the ongoing effort to stabilize and keep the bay scallop fishery going in the pond. They will be back again in fall 2007 to collect another round of data.

The progress of this project was also presented at the National Shellfisheries Association Conference in March 2006 and a summary printed in the "Journal of Shellfish Research" August 2006 issue.



Invasive Species Poster

Partnering with the Vineyard Conservation Society we sponsored a marine invasive species workshop in the spring of 2006. Many that attended the workshop went on to develop a public education campaign about marine invasive species that resulted in the posting of "Wanted Dead or Alive" posters across the island. The poster featured three marine invasive species that are known to be voracious shellfish predators that are likely to arrive along our shores and in our coastal ponds in the future. They are all known to be able to live in the conditions we have here on the island and have already successfully established breeding populations in areas along the our Atlantic coast but are not native anywhere in the Atlantic Ocean.

With funding from the US Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program we were able to purchase and plant 40,000 beach grass plants, 150 beach plums, 100 bay berry and 150 switch grass and 50 beach roses along the Sengekontacket Pond side of the State Beach. These plantings followed the installation of

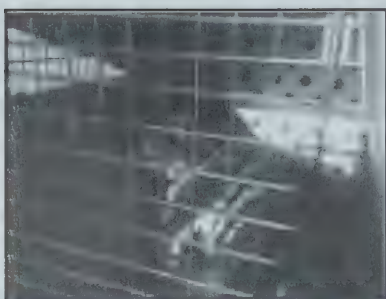


Beach grass planted

some split rail fencing that better defined vehicle access points along the beach. These

Beach plantings will help stabilize the pond side of the barrier beach. This project was only able to be done through partnering with Dukes County and the Friends of Sengekontacket Inc. Additionally Mass Audubon – Felix Neck and Edgartown Shellfish Department personnel and many volunteers labored to get all the planting done in a timely manner.

We continued our association with both the New England Aquarium as members of their Marine Mammal Standing Team. We responded to several reported stranding incidents across the island this past year. In January w were able intervene and rescue a juvenile gray seal that had been entangled in fishing gear. After capturing it we were able to cut the gear from the seal, but the cuts from the netting were severe. The seal was kept kenneled overnight and taken to Woods Hole to meet New England Aquarium personnel. The Aquarium arranged to transport the seal to a rehab facility in Maine. The seal was released back into the wild in May.



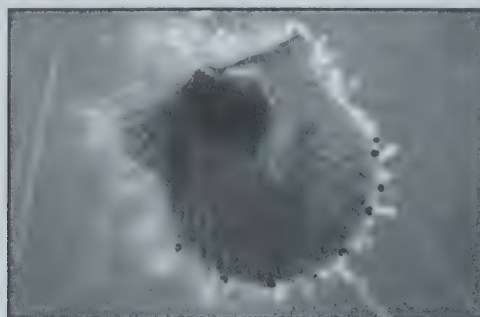
Gray Seal Rescued

We have continued to work with the Massachusetts Estuaries Project personnel as they collect data from Lagoon Pond, Sengekontacket Pond and Farm Pond. We expect to receive at least a draft report for the Lagoon Pond by the end of 2007. The report will establish a nutrient budget for the pond and make recommendations that the Town can take to reduce the excess nutrient load and begin to strive toward better water quality and a healthier pond. Protecting and improving the water quality of our ponds is extremely important to the Town. Good water quality in our ponds protects the property values and therefore the tax base of the Town. It also supports the summer seasonal population and the tourism.

In December 2006 I attended the 3rd National Conference on coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration where Liz Durkee (Oak Bluffs' Conservation Agent) and myself delivered a power point presentation about the on going restoration and estuarine protection efforts here on the Island and in Oak Bluffs in particular. The topic of excess nutrient loading, particularly nitrogen loading, is an issue everywhere and was at least mentioned in almost every presentation. It was clear to us that we are perhaps slightly ahead of the curve compared to many areas across the country. Also that excess nitrogen entering our coastal waters and salt ponds is a very big and important issue and

the single biggest threat to the health of our beloved coastal ponds and embayments.

Additionally I served as a Selectmen's appointee to the Drawbridge Replacement Committee, liaison to the federal permitting of the Cape Wind Project, and representative to



35 day old bay scallop

the Barrier Beach Task Force. As the Shellfish Constable I am also a member of the following committees – Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, alternate on the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Massachusetts Aquaculture Center, MV Environmental Education Alliance, MV Water Alliance, Island Plan Water Resource Core Working Group, and Friends of Sengekontacket Technical Advisory Board.

I want to take this opportunity thank all the wonderful volunteers that this department has come to rely upon in order to continue the services delivered by the Shellfish Department. Also to thank all the other Town Departments that have worked with us and of course my dedicated staff Peter Estrella, Danielle Ewart and Nicole Morey.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. GRUNDEN  
Shellfish Constable

### Shellfish Licenses issued in 2006

Type of License	Number Sold	Price/License	Total Revenue
Residential (family) Recreational	261	\$ 35.00	\$9,135.00
Non-Resident (family) Recreational	6	\$200.00	1,200.00
Senior Recreational	319	Free	0.00
One Week Recreational	92	\$ 25.00	2,300.00
Two Week Recreational	3	\$ 50.00	150.00
Commercial	15	\$300.00	4,500.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>696</b>		<b>\$17,285.00</b>

### Summarized Catch Report Reported in bushels

	2004	2005	2006
Quahogs			
Recreational	399	703	677
Commercial	524	750	385
<b>Total</b>	<b>975</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>1,062</b>
Clams			
Recreational	55	132	143
Commercial	7	12	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>149</b>
Scallops			
Recreational	325	157	211
Commercial	967	1,674	805
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>1,016</b>

More detailed catch report information is available upon request.

## MARTHA'S VINEYARD SHELLFISH GROUP

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

With funding from five member towns, private donations, and grant moneys from the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, the Northeastern Regional Aquaculture Center, NOAA Sea Grant, and the Edey Foundation, the Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued its program to promote the well being of the Island's shellfish and the clean water they require. Highlights of our 2006 program follow:

**Solar Shellfish Hatchery** – We produced and distributed to the towns nearly 6 million seed quahogs, over 7 million seed scallops and almost 900,000 soft shell clam seed. Using broodstock oysters from Edgartown Great Pond that have resistance to Dermo disease, we seeded Tisbury Great Pond with 3.5 million remote-set oyster larvae.

**Oyster Disease Investigations** – Both cultured and wild Island oyster populations continue to suffer losses from Juvenile Oyster Disease (JOD) and Dermo. We continue to monitor the status of Dermo, an oyster disease infecting the local oysters in both Edgartown and Tisbury Great Ponds. Interestingly, a good percentage of the population of oysters in both ponds appears to be surviving in spite of the Dermo infection and we have been investigating the possibility that these surviving oysters may have developed a natural resistance to the disease. In collaboration with Rutgers University and the Woods Hole Marine Biological Lab, we are conducting experiments to test the field performance of several putative disease resistant oyster strains. Two Rutgers strains and the offspring of our hatchery's cross of oysters surviving Dermo disease in Edgartown Great Pond are being tested in deployments in Edgartown Great Pond and Katama Bay. Results for the offspring of broodstock selected from survivors in Edgartown Great Pond show them to be twice as resistant to Dermo as a control population. We have begun to use these Dermo resistant oysters from Edgartown Great Pond as broodstock for our seeding program in Tisbury Great Pond in hopes of speeding up the recovery of the decimated populations there. Please note that both JOD and Dermo are diseases of oysters and pose no threat to humans consuming the oysters.

**Promotion of Shellfish Aquaculture** – Over the past year we continued to encourage, support and promote shellfish aquaculture as an ideal "green" industry for Martha's Vineyard. In November we sponsored a presentation on the potential for Vineyard offshore mussel culture by Dr. Richard Langan, Director of the University of New

Hampshire Open Ocean Aquaculture Program. Following up on the interest generated by the presentation, we have applied for grant funding to identify potential offshore culture sites as a first step to develop an industry that may provide product and employment for fishers displaced by the decline of wild stocks.

**The Island Blue Pages** – In 2006, we continued to distribute copies of "The Island Blue Pages," the booklet that seeks to inform residents of the environmental impacts of their daily activities on the Island's water resources. This timely booklet has been very well received both on and off Island. We have responded to requests for copies and information about its creation from groups on Cape Cod, Long Island, New Jersey, Illinois, Colorado and Quebec who see the need to produce a similar publication to protect water quality in their areas.

**Outreach** – In an effort to better educate the community about our program and recommendations for protecting our shellfish resources, we are undertaking an effort to improve our outreach capabilities. Taking advantage of an MVTV promotion, we helped produce five videos on local shellfish issues for broadcast on the Island's cable TV station. The subject matter included: spawning quahogs, shellfish culture on Martha's Vineyard, the nursery culture of quahog seed, the potential for offshore mussel culture, and oyster diseases. With funding from the Edey Foundation we have begun revitalization of our website, [www.mvshellfishgroup.org](http://www.mvshellfishgroup.org). The Edey Foundation also provided funds for the purchase of a microscope with a digital camera to capture images of microscopic shellfish for public education.

**Think Locally and Act Globally** – In 2006 I was elected Vice President of the National Shellfisheries Association and serve on its Industry Subcommittee. I continue to serve as Co-Chair of the Southeastern Massachusetts Aquaculture Center and on the governing boards of the Massachusetts Aquaculture Association, East Coast Shellfish Growers Association, the Lagoon Pond Association and Slow Food MV. I also serve on the advisory boards of the Friends of Sengekontacket and the Squibnocket District Advisory Committee and am an active member of the MV Water Alliance.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. KARNEY  
Shellfish Biologist/Director

# SEED SHELLFISH DISTRIBUTED IN 2006

	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>Quahogs</b>	Aquinnah*	700,000
	Chilmark	1,285,000
	Edgartown	1,285,000
	Oak Bluffs	1,285,000
	Tisbury	<u>1,285,000</u>
	<b>Total Quahog Seed</b>	<b>5,840,000</b>
<b>Soft Shell Clams</b>	Aquinnah*	47,300
	Chilmark	164,000
	Edgartown	164,000
	Oak Bluffs	164,000
	Tisbury	164,000
	West Tisbury	<u>164,000</u>
	<b>Total Clam Seed</b>	<b>867,300</b>
<b>Scallops</b>		
	Seed On Burlap (estimated)	Fertilized eggs
	Aquinnah* 200,000	
	Chilmark 1,700,000	8,500,000 (Quitsa)
	Edgartown 1,700,000	8,500,000 (Pogue)
	Oak Bluffs 1,700,000	8,500,000 (Lagoon)
	Tisbury 1,700,000	8,500,000 (Tashmoo)
	Wampanoag Tribe** <u>200,000</u>	
	<b>Total Scallops</b> <b>7,200,000</b>	<b>34,000,000</b>
	<b>(Seed &amp; Eggs)</b>	
<b>Oyster Larvae (disease-resistant)</b>	Chilmark & West Tisbury (Released in Tisbury Great Pond)	
	Fertilized eggs	59,000,000
	5 Day old larvae	10,550,000
	7 Day old larvae	9,390,000
	9 Day old larvae	1,070,000
	11 Day old larvae	2,482,000
	20 Day old larvae	1,695,000
	West Tisbury (Remote Setting System)	
	Eyed setting larvae	<u>3,530,000</u>
	<b>Total Oyster Larvae</b>	<b>87,717,000</b>

\*Membership ended on 6/30/06 (Some seed supplied under state funding)

\*\*Supplied under contract

## HARBORMASTER/MARINA

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

The following is the report for the 2006 season of the Oak Bluffs Marina, which officially ended on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Current Year Financial Results** - The Marina has posted its seventh consecutive year of record income. As of **11/04/06**, gross revenue was **\$907,719.30**; this is just slightly over last year. I am extremely pleased by this number mainly because of the terrible start we had in June with regards to the weather. That all changed during July and August as the weather cleared and we experienced much improved boating conditions. The Marina had the best August in its history and made up for some of the springtime losses. We increased the electric charges for transient boats which added an additional \$22,500 to the bottom line.

The Harbor's WIFI service brought in twice the revenue of last year taking in an additional \$5,200.00 for the Marina. This service has become very popular with visiting boaters. Over the winter we plan to upgrade this service as well as revamp our web site and utilize more of the web's resources.

The cruise ship visits were again a success bringing the Town an additional \$22,000. This is down from last year due to three cancellations resulting from bad weather. The Cruise Ship staging area was again run by George Fisher with help from Peter Martell. They did an excellent job dealing with the security needs for these visits. Without this federally approved staging area, the only one on the Island, Town businesses would not be benefiting from a conservative estimate of an additional \$75,000.00 per trip spent by visiting passengers totaling nearly \$800,000.00 over the entire season.

### Oak Bluffs Marina Goals for 2007 Season and Beyond

In order to maintain the Marina as a reliable source of revenue for the Town, planning must be done several years ahead for any given development. In addition to renting slips and moorings and operating the launch, Oak Bluffs harbor sees considerable traffic from passenger ferries, is host to several charter boats, and as we all know has attracted significant cruise-ship business. As we look to 2007, the following areas should be targeted:

Last year we replaced the water pipes in the entire Marina. I am happy to report that we spent a fraction of what was spent in the past to repair these pipes. It is impossible to protect them completely from boats that are not tied up properly or that break loose from moorings during storms.

The rebuilding of the bulkhead is the most important project the Marina faces in the next few years. It appears that we are finally getting close to starting this project. We

have been in close contact with the Deputy Director of the Seaport Advisory Council and it looks like partial grant money is available and that we qualify to receive it.

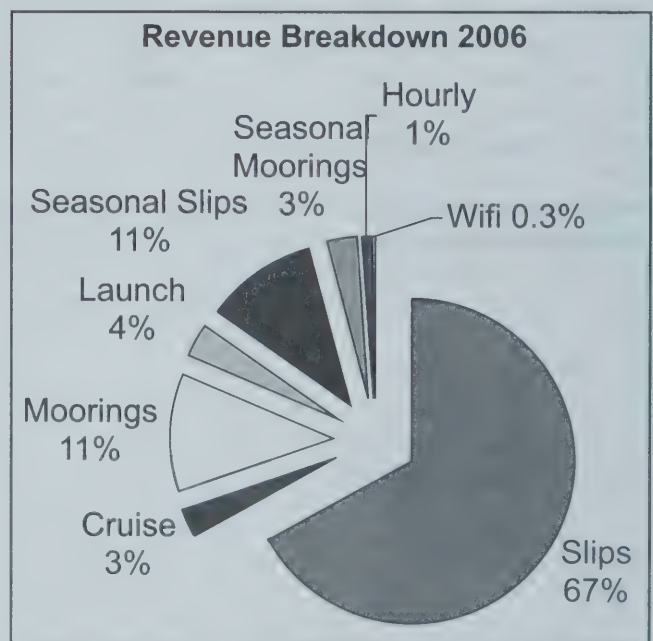
It is my opinion that beautification around the entire harbor is greatly needed. This can be accomplished in stages and can be relatively inexpensive. Planting trees and bushes would enhance the harbor surroundings a great deal.

I would again like to thank my staff for their professionalism and courtesy in dealing with our summer customers. Oak Bluffs Harbor has become the most popular and financially successful harbor on the Island and this is greatly due to their efforts. I would also like to thank the Harbor Management Committee, the Highway Department and the Police Department for all their help throughout the summer. They are always ready and willing to respond whenever they are needed.

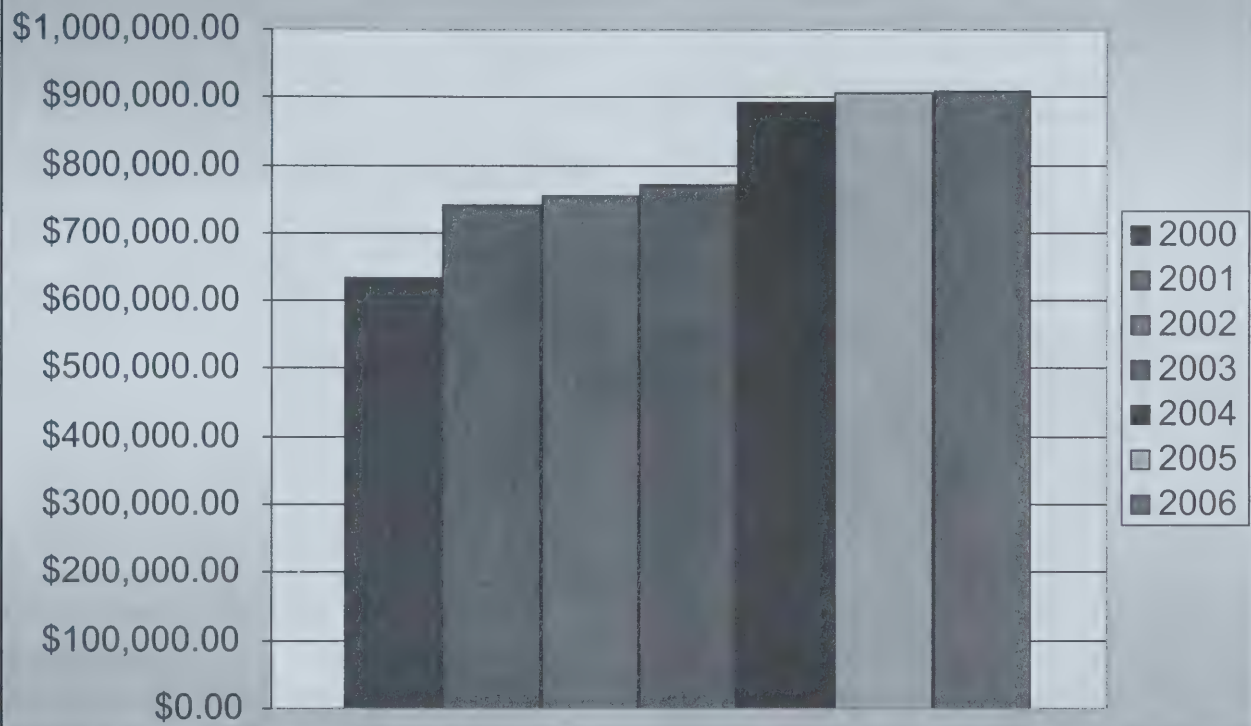
**Summary** - Off-season parking, strategic investment in the harbor infrastructure and personnel, and hard work by Marina staff were met with fair weather, resulting in an fine season. In the coming year, additional time and resources must be devoted to ongoing initiatives to maintain and improve the marina; to ensure that the Town maximizes the harbor's full potential. I have been pleased to see continued support from the Selectmen and Town's people on many of the projects and initiatives we have begun over the past few years. I think the benefits of this support are evident with each record breaking season.

Respectfully submitted,

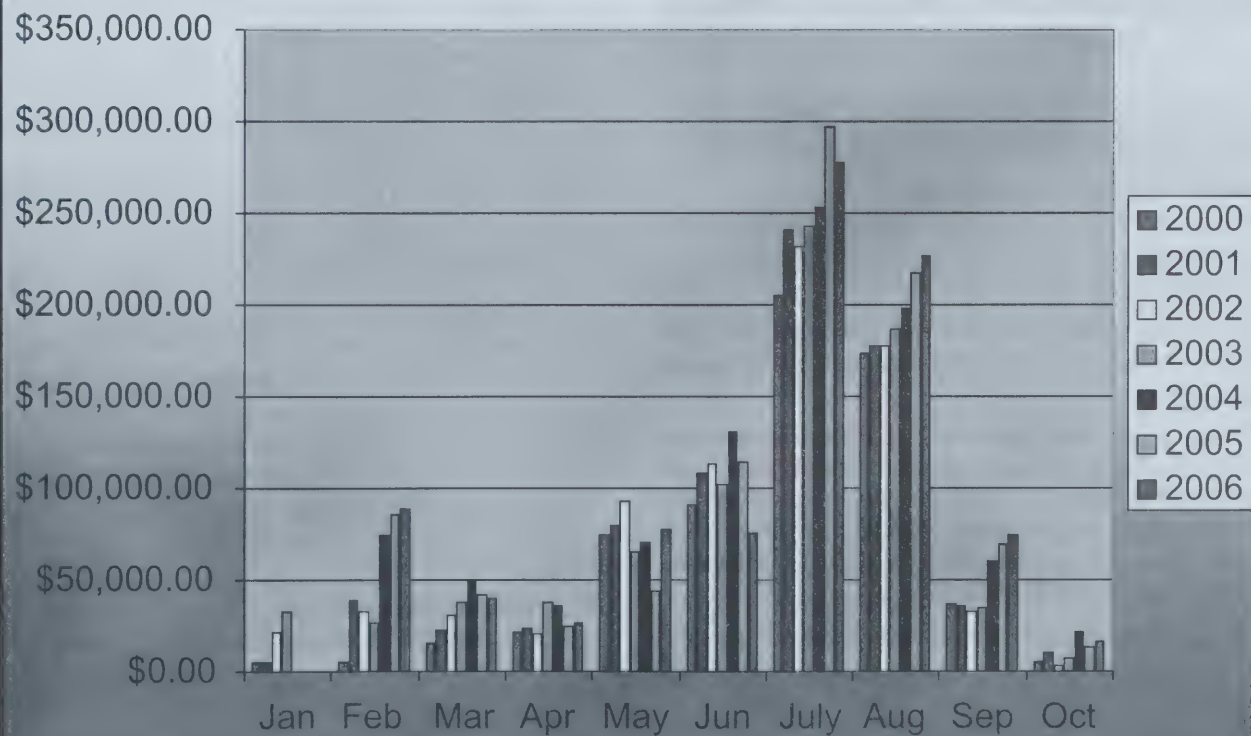
TODD ALEXANDER  
Harbormaster



## Yearly Revenue Comparison



## Monthly Revenue Comparison



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

This year 2006 was a busy and successful one for the  
Conservation Commission.

### Special Award:

- Paul A. Strauss, Commissioner for fifteen years, named State Conservation Commissioner of the Year by Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions.



Paul A. Strauss, Environmental Service Award

### Environmental Activities supporting the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Oak Bluffs Wetlands Bylaw:

#### Land & Water Resource Protection

- Coordinate with Martha's Vineyard Hospital on landscape and drainage plans for new hospital and grounds
- Continued efforts with Board of Selectmen and East Chop Association on East Chop bluff stabilization project
- Water quality/nitrogen reduction efforts: coordinate with Shellfish Constable to update Town boards on nitrogen reduction technologies, water quality power point presentation to Board of Selectmen, work with MV Water Alliance on education, nitrogen reduction, Mass. Estuaries Project preparation
- Began to to address coastal climate change issues

#### Permitting and Enforcement

- Major proposed projects in 2006 were for landscape/drainage, piers, teardown / rebuilds, septic upgrades
- New trends in projects requiring review: private beach nourishment, raising of houses above 100-year flood zone; renovation or total rebuild of waterfront homes
- Required compliance for Wetlands Protection Act violations: clear cutting of vegetation on Crystal Lake, Fresh Pond, Lagoon Pond, and illegal use of chemicals to control geese population in Hidden Cove

#### Professional Development

- Updated Pier Regulations to meet current science, technology, regulatory and design standards
- Research and begin development of science-based regulations for fresh water bodies/wetlands

#### Environmental Education

- Developed Annual Town Meeting warrant article: Non-Binding Resolution on Water Quality Protection
- Developed brochure "It's Only Natural: Landscaping in and near Vineyard Wetlands," with All Island Conservation Commission
- Coastal Habitat Restoration Conference, New Orleans, LA - Presentation on Cooperative Wetlands Restoration on Martha's Vineyard Island

#### Open Space Management

- Sailing Camp Park: Renovated kitchen, new electrical system
- Monitored increased use of Park by Island organizations: Sail MV, the Island Children's Theatre, Vineyard Haven Band, increased rental activity by local organizations
- Preparation of Giclees & Laser prints of Karen Larsen Turner's paintings of Oak Bluffs 'Special Places', the sale to support the Town Open Space Fund

Respectfully submitted,

JOAN HUGHES, Chairman  
ROBERT FORD, Vice Chairman  
JOHN BOARDMAN  
JOHN BRECKENRIDGE  
CALEB NICHOLSON  
PAUL STRAUSS

LIZ DURKEE, Administrator

CHUCK DOWNING, Sailing Camp Park manager

## PARK COMMISSIONERS

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

It is our pleasure to submit the annual report of the Oak Bluffs Park and Recreation Department.

The Department is managed by the Parks Commissioners with the physical work being performed by Parks Foreman James Tripp and Office Administrator Nicole L. Morey doing the Department's paperwork.

The sidewalks in both Washington and Waban Parks were redone with money voted on at the April Town Meeting. There have been a number of meetings with the members of the Boardwalk to the Beach Task Force to discuss the much needed restoration of the railing along the beach, the concession stand and funding for such work.

The bulk of our work is done in the warmer months, when vegetation is growing and large numbers of residents and visitors want to make use of our facilities. In those months, the regular staff is supplemented by 3-4 summer laborers and a number of seasonal specialists.

### Regular maintenance

All of the parks must be cleaned every day during the warmer months, and accumulated trash removed. We also plant new bushes, trees and grass as needed, now the grass and trim bushes regularly. Our job is made easier and the parks kept cleaner by residents and visitors who deposit their waste in the trash barrels provided.

The Parks Department welcomes events that take advantage of Oak Bluffs' outdoor resources, such as the annual fireworks display, Illumination Night, Tivoli Day, the bi-weekly band concerts in Ocean Park, and the Monster Shark Tournament at the Harbor and Sunset Park. We are happy to assist with preparations and provide special clean-up efforts. In this, our regular summer staff is supplemented by workers from the Highway Department.

Special events such as weddings may also be held in the parks. Applications forms are available on the Town web site, which must be submitted and approved by the Park Commissioners. In 2006 permission was granted for

four weddings. Permission was also granted to the Cottagers to use Hartford Park for their annual African-American festival, the Martha's Vineyard Hospital to use Washington Park for their annual road race, and the Rolling Road Show and Netflix to use Ocean Park for a showing of the movie "Jaws". The Oak Bluffs Police also held a Public Safety Day in Waban Park with great success.

### Special recreation facilities and opportunities

The Parks Department has primary responsibility for the care of the Town beaches. The beach is staffed from mid-June through to Labor Day. The staff of 9-10 life guards includes a supervisor, a swimming instructor and a water safety supervisor.

The Town tennis courts located at Niantic Park are managed by attendants from late June to late August, with sign-up roster for players. In the shoulder season, Town taxpayers may obtain a key for \$50.00 from the office located at the Robert E. Rose Town Garage.

The Department also removes rubbish and debris from the Skate Park but does not staff it. Parents please note that users should be supervised and wearing a helmet for their own safety, and that transportation should be available in case of injury.

A summer recreation program is offered each year, which includes swimming lessons and basketball instruction. Children may sign up for either program in June. On summer weekends there may be supervised basketball tournaments. Please check the Town web site for further details on signing up.

We would also like to thank the Highway Department personnel for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD COMBRA, JR., Chairman  
ALLAN A. DEBETTENCOURT  
MICHAEL MARCHAND

# EDUCATION

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

David Rossi, Chairperson  
Martha's Vineyard Superintendency  
Union #19 School Committee

Dear Mr. Rossi:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I am very pleased to submit my second annual report as the Superintendent of Schools to you and to the individual members of the six school committees of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools (MVPS). I continue to learn about this wonderful Island, its schools and its communities, and I have truly come to enjoy my role here as Superintendent.

As the year began, I worked with the All-Island School Committee (AISC) to develop seven significant goals for the year. These included building a stronger relationship with the six school committees, demonstrating educational leadership, working to improve general management, developing appropriate district budgets, improving our personnel practices, improving communication, and building my knowledge of the Island and its communities. While this is a very extensive list, we have made significant progress on each of these goals thanks to the hard work of our building administrators and central office staff.

Much time this year has been devoted to the lengthy process of developing the budgets for the Superintendent's Office and the five school districts. The Superintendent's Office budget consists primarily of staff, who provide services to the elementary and high schools as well as the management team that assists me in coordinating the efforts of the school committees and the more than 600 people who work for the MVPS. This year I had proposed two additions to the budget – an eighth grade algebra program to build our mathematics instruction and a facilities manager to better maintain the buildings that house our students. After careful deliberations with the AISC, it was decided to put the facilities manager position on hold for the present time to reduce the financial impact to the local communities.

Budget development for the five local school districts began with discussions over the summer, taking into consideration that we would be in negotiations with the five bargaining units on the Island. Principals and School Advisory Councils analyzed the enrollment changes and

program needs as they looked toward the future. The Oak Bluffs School saw its enrollment grow by 23 students this year, with continued enrollment growth predicted for the upcoming school year as well. The remaining schools either declined or saw no significant changes. Because staffing costs drive these budgets, we can expect to see some overall growth at each school. Additionally, the two elementary schools that have Title I programs have seen these grants decline drastically over the past two years, forcing them to increase their budgets to continue these important remedial services.

Due to some significant changes in State rules, the regional schools on the Island came under significant scrutiny for the manner in which costs were assessed to the local communities. The State's new approach called the "Aggregate Wealth Model" appears to require us to abandon our long-used method of assessing costs based only upon enrollment and switch to the use of median income and equalized property valuation in addition to enrollment. This change has clearly left us with winners and losers and has raised many questions about process and fairness. Hopefully, Islanders can band together and get through this apparent crisis.

At this year's opening assembly, I challenged our staff to make this school year one focused upon the teaching of non-fiction writing as writing is "thinking at the end of a pencil," and teachers at all schools clearly stepped up to that challenge. I am pleased to report that the students are writing more this year across all curriculum areas. We expect that this will pay dividends as we approach the second year of MCAS testing in Grades 4 through 8. Staff members and many members of the broader community were also able to attend a presentation by Dr. Mel Levine, Director of the Clinical Center for the Study of Development and Learning at the University of North Carolina. Dr. Levine is a nationally known practitioner and speaker who advocates for a new way of thinking about how children learn and grow, and it is our expectation that Island students will benefit from our staff's awareness of his approach.

With regard to the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests, students at all Island schools continue to do well, with every school making adequate yearly progress (AYP) again this year with the

exception of Edgartown in the area of mathematics. At Martha's Vineyard Regional High School, 98% of the tenth graders passed the English assessment, and 97% passed the mathematics portion. These results place us clearly ahead of State averages where 93% passed the English portion and only 88% passed mathematics. While these results look positive for our schools and students, the No Child Left Behind Act raises the academic standard each year until 2014 when all students must be proficient. Like all schools in the Commonwealth, we will find this extremely high standard difficult to reach as we move forward to that deadline.

Administrators across the Island have devoted significant time and effort this year in preparing for a State Department of Education on-site visit, which will focus on the districts' ability to comply with the numerous state and federal mandates. This visit called a "Coordinated Program Review" will take place in May 2007, and community members will be asked to participate. School Committees have also devoted a significant amount of time this year to drafting the policies that govern our operations in all areas. I am pleased to report that thanks to this effort we have appropriate policy documents in every area required by law. The Superintendent's Office has also developed a personnel manual, which details the procedures and practices that govern how we handle personnel issues. This will help us to implement our five master agreements in a consistent and coordinated manner. School committee members, FinCom members and administrators also devoted countless hours this year in negotiations with teachers, paraprofessionals, custodians, secretaries and food service workers.

For a second year, we continue to manage our school bus system in-house saving the five districts thousands of dollars while still providing excellent service. I would like to commend Transportation Manager James Flynn and Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Affairs Amy Tierney, along with a crew of outstanding drivers, for continuing to make this a very positive experience for everyone. We recently replaced our three off-island buses with modern diesel vehicles and are in the planning stages for a complete replacement of our on-island fleet. ASBA Tierney was cited by the Massachusetts Association of School Business Officials with the John F. Conway Distinguished Service Award for her efforts at improving our school transportation system.

This year also brought some significant challenges for our schools administratively. Dr. G. Paul Dulac departed Edgartown to become Superintendent in Marblehead,

leaving that school once again searching for new leadership. Oak Bluffs Principal Laury Binney was granted a leave of absence from his duties for the 2007-08 school year. Finally in West Tisbury, Principal and Marine Lt. Colonel Michael Halt was called to duty in Iraq, forcing us to find support for that building as well. Our thoughts are with him and his family during this difficult time.

In closing, I would like to extend my sincere best wishes to the seven members of our school community, who will be retiring over the next months. These talented and dedicated educators have served our students for a combined total of 165 years, a very significant milestone. In October, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Margaret Harris announced that she would be retiring at the end of the school year. Marge has been a staff member on the Island for 32 years, and her dedication to the students of the Vineyard will be sorely missed. The High School saw two long-time staff members announce their departure. Physical Education teacher and Department Head Nancy Shemeth will leave MVRHS after 33 years, while the woman who brought early childhood instruction to our vocational programs – Ruth DeWilde-Major - will leave after nine wonderful years. The West Tisbury School will bid farewell to three exceptional women at the end of the year. Marilyn Yas will retire after eight years as an elementary educator. Maddie Coutts is concluding her 28 years of service with children in reading at both the Chilmark and West Tisbury Schools, and Joyce Dresser is completing 31 years working with identified students. Finally, Donna Gazaille will leave the Edgartown School after 24 years as an elementary teacher there.

The citizens of the Vineyard are truly fortunate to have the talented educators who work in our schools and the dedicated school committee members who devote their energies to governing those schools. Each and every day, I know how fortunate I am to work with them as well. It continues to be a pleasure for me to serve as Superintendent of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools – attending meetings, visiting schools, being a fan in the bleachers, and listening to our wonderful musicians sing and play instruments. While we will continue to face new challenges every day, I know that together we can give our students a future of which to be proud.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. WEISS, EdD  
Superintendent of Schools

## HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dr. James Weiss, Superintendent  
RR2 Box 261  
Charles E. Downs Building  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss:

It is my pleasure to report to you and the towns about Martha's Vineyard Regional High School. The purpose of a high school education is to create independent thinkers, to allow graduates to contribute to the collective knowledge of the human race and to help students acquire positive habits of mind. The six towns of Martha's Vineyard have continuously and generously contributed to the fulfillment of this mission for all students on the Island. The many successes of our school can be traced back to dedication, volunteerism and community support.

In our School Improvement Plan for the 2006 year, we noted that more than any other institution on the Island, the high school functions as a nexus of community interests and activity. Hundreds of students have participated in work-study programs, internships and mentoring programs in businesses and other organizations. Child care, automotive repair, gardening and culinary services are provided through the vocational educational department. Community artists have forged partnerships with teachers and students studying photography, sculpture and digital design. The facility itself serves as an Island-wide community center, providing needed space for adult education, recreation, conferences and performances.

We recognize as well that, although some of these communities may be quite distinct, this is a small island. The fabric of our dialog with each of our community partners must be woven from the same thread: a fabric which serves as the core expression of the school and its values.

We believe that the school's mission statement can serve as the beginning of that foundation. Our mission is drawn from the following:

**To develop competent learners whose academic goals are to:**

- Read with understanding and insight
- Write with clarity and precision
- Utilize technology in the presentation of information to others
- Solve problems critically and analytically

**To develop responsible individuals whose civic goals are to:**

- Lead healthy lives in mind and body
- Make successful choices that enhance self-esteem.
- Demonstrate character values and ethical behavior.
- Understand and appreciate the value of diversity amongst students and staff.
- Understands and appreciates the Island community and one's unique connection to Martha's Vineyard.

**To develop complex thinkers whose social goals are to:**

- Become capable of self-reflection
- Accept and use constructive criticism
- Take responsible intellectual risks
- Hold high expectations for their academic or career decisions
- Function effectively as members of a team

In addition, athletic and extracurricular accomplishments of our students include arts, theater and athletic awards from the state-wide organizations. Teachers have enhanced their professional abilities through advanced degrees and conferences. As a whole school we have kept progressing in the state measures of student achievement – the MCAS exams – while maintaining a rigorous and interesting curriculum for all kids.

In sum, we strive to be a school where students can safely learn and grow into the individuals who can be leaders in our community.

Thank you for all your support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET M. REGAN  
Principal

# MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

To the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2006.

Statement of Net Assets

Government Funds Balance Sheet

General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Budget and Actual)

Respectfully submitted,

MARYLEE SCHROEDER  
Treasurer

## MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006

	<u>Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,694,802
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	593,647
Due from Agency Funds	514,411
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>3,802,860</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	6,000,961
Capital assets not being depreciated	179,744
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	17,039,802
<b>Total noncurrent assets</b>	<u>23,220,507</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>27,023,367</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities:	
Warrants Payable	175,706
Accrued payroll	800,056
Other liabilities	31,990
Abandoned property	28,729
Long-term bonds and notes payable	1,095,000
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>2,131,481</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Long-term bonds and notes payable	7,535,000
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>9,666,481</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	15,184,154
Restricted for:	
Reduction of member town assessments	386,980
Student Activities	36,411
Other specific purposes	100,546
Unrestricted	1,648,795
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<u>\$ 17,356,886</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET**

**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,226,286	\$ 468,516	\$ 2,694,802
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Intergovernmental	6,594,608	-	6,594,608
Due from Agency Funds	514,411	-	514,411
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 9,335,305</u>	<u>\$ 468,516</u>	<u>\$ 9,803,821</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Warrants Payable	\$ 68,663	\$ 107,043	\$ 175,706
Accrued payroll	741,379	58,677	800,056
Other liabilities	31,990	-	31,990
Abandoned property	28,729	-	28,729
Deferred revenues	6,594,608	-	6,594,608
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>7,465,369</u>	<u>165,720</u>	<u>7,631,089</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>Reserved for:</b>			
Reduction of member town assessments	386,980	-	386,980
Employee benefits	3,408	-	3,408
Student Activities	-	36,411	36,411
Other specific purposes	-	100,546	100,546
<b>Unreserved:</b>			
Designated for subsequent years' expenditures	620,000	-	620,000
Undesignated, reported in:			
General Fund	859,548	-	859,548
Special revenue funds	-	90,488	90,488
Capital projects funds	-	75,351	75,351
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>1,869,936</u>	<u>302,796</u>	<u>2,172,732</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 9,335,305</u>	<u>\$ 468,516</u>	<u>\$ 9,803,821</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive/ (Negative)</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Member town assessments	\$ 10,685,644	10,215,950	10,215,950	-
User fees	175,000	175,000	534,520	359,520
Lease revenue	210,000	210,000	-	(210,000)
Intergovernmental:				-
State Aid-foundation	2,631,535	2,631,535	2,673,935	42,400
State Aid-transportation	484,181	484,181	719,959	235,778
State Aid-school construction reimbursement	871,201	871,201	871,201	-
State Aid-charter school assessment reimbursement	56,955	56,955	70,072	13,117
State Aid - circuit breaker	200,000	200,000	333,265	133,265
Departmental Receipts	33,000	33,000	41,108	8,108
Investment income	30,000	30,000	91,312	61,312
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>15,377,516</u>	<u>14,907,822</u>	<u>15,551,322</u>	<u>643,500</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	4,116,770	4,116,770	4,058,762	58,008
Special Education	1,483,054	1,483,054	1,482,920	134
Vocational	370,801	370,801	371,635	(834)
Other	123,311	123,311	140,840	(17,529)
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,284,054	1,284,054	1,301,211	(17,157)
Instructional	262,079	262,079	257,006	5,073
Administration	1,318,312	1,318,312	1,349,238	(30,926)
Business	78,600	78,600	57,499	21,101
Building and grounds	938,807	938,807	1,131,501	(192,694)
Transportation	1,096,144	1,096,144	702,840	393,304
Pension benefits	244,232	244,232	208,085	36,147
Employee benefits	1,725,874	1,725,874	1,646,045	79,829
Property and liability insurance	204,126	204,126	189,093	15,033
State Assessment				
Charter school	521,766	521,766	418,049	103,717
Capital Outlay	44,000	44,000	42,165	1,835
Debt service-principal	1,245,000	1,245,000	1,245,000	-
Debt service-interest	435,589	435,589	435,589	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>15,492,519</u>	<u>15,492,519</u>	<u>15,037,478</u>	<u>455,041</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>(115,003)</u>	<u>(584,697)</u>	<u>513,844</u>	<u>1,098,541</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>				
Transfers out	-	(49,025)	(49,025)	-
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<u>(115,003)</u>	<u>(633,722)</u>	<u>464,819</u>	<u>1,098,541</u>
<b>BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year</b>	<u>1,401,709</u>	<u>1,401,709</u>	<u>1,401,709</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, End of year</b>	<u>\$ 1,286,706</u>	<u>\$ 767,987</u>	<u>\$ 1,866,528</u>	<u>\$ 1,098,541</u>

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dr. James Weiss  
Superintendent of Schools  
RR2, Box 261  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss,

Once more, I have the pleasure to provide you with my report on the state of the Oak Bluffs School for the 2006-2007 school year. This has been a year in which we have felt a confirmation for the hard work and energy that our teachers and staff have contributed over the last several years. Based on the work of teachers over the last four or five years, there has been strong evidence of academic, as well as social success at the Oak Bluffs School. Not wishing to rest on these accomplishments, we remain hard at work on our many important goals and mission, chief among them being the ongoing improvement of our curriculum & instruction, enhanced student achievement & assessment, and continuing professional development. We continue to be committed to expanding upon our many successes and achievements through the maintenance of the school's essential and exceptional programs.

Through our school population dipped somewhat in 2005-2006, this year saw a significant increase in our school's population, (from 391 to 416). This was in spite of a small incoming kindergarten class.

We continue to use the state's Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) as a significant measure of our students' and school district's achievement. Test results reported in September for administration of the MCAS last May showed that the Oak Bluffs School continues to demonstrate growth in each of the three academic domains assessed (English/Language Arts (ELA), Math, and Science). For the first time, the state now assesses students in grades 3-8 in both math and English/Language Arts. These achievement scores represent a continuing trend of improvement in our students' overall performance.

As the chart below demonstrates, our school's rate of achievement, which is portrayed through the state's system for grading schools called the **Composite Proficiency Index (CPI)**, continues to be very positive. This **CPI** is a 100-point index that combines the scores of students who participate in standard MCAS ELA and Math tests, with those who take the MCAS-Alternate Assessment (MCAS-Alt). The CPI is a measure of the extent to which students are progressing toward proficiency (CPI of 100) in ELA and mathematics. The Oak Bluffs School showed a 1.0% & 1.1% improvement, respectively, in both Math and ELA from 2005 to 2006. Last year, in which the state's AYP "report card" was issued, our students **CPI** in ELA was

92.5 (compared to the state average of 83.6, and an island **CPI** average of 87.0), which our **CPI** in Math was 78.7 (compared to a state average of 72.8, and an Island **CPI** of 74.5).

Strengths were noted in several specific areas including:

- **6th grade Math** - Those students in advanced/proficient improved from 41% to 61%, while those in warning decreased from 16% to 3%.

- **Grade 6 ELA** - 82% of students scored in advanced/proficient with no warnings.

- **7th Grade ELA** - 81% of those students scored in the advance/proficient range with no warnings.

- **8th Grade ELA** - 94% of these students scored in the advanced/proficient range with just one warning.

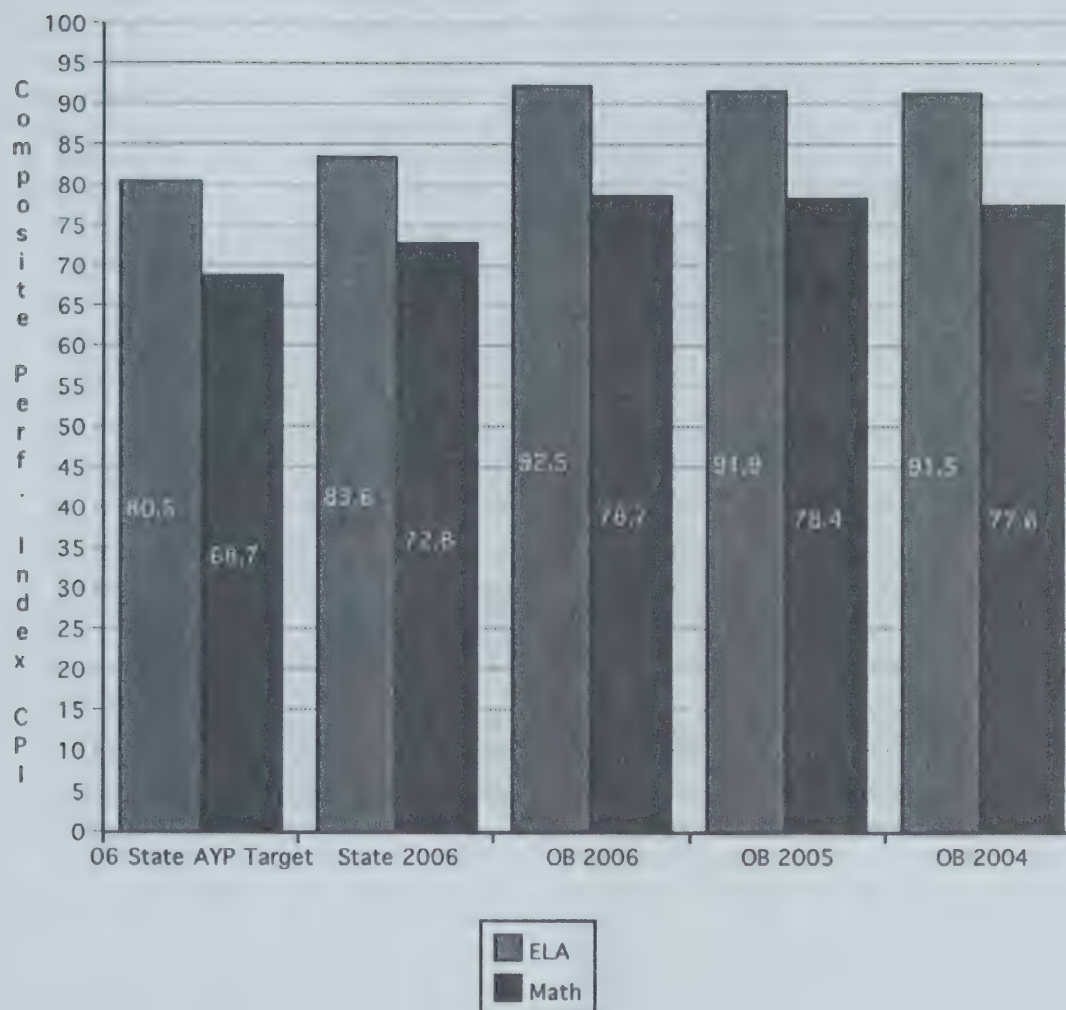
Most importantly, one of the more important things that we have learned from this testing data is that there are some specific areas of instruction that need to be assessed and modified. The Oak Bluffs teaching staff continually seeks to improve upon their instructional practice, and through our own professional development activities we are currently working to better develop those areas where student achievement was low.

Because a major focus in today's education environment is the US government's No Child Left Behind Act, our performance in the MCAS tests shows once more that the Oak Bluffs School has clearly met the law's Adequate Yearly progress (AYP) standard.

In addition, the improvement of every student's social achievement and skills, aptly applied in the school's social curriculum, remains a major objective for us. These goals loom as crucial targets in the school's mission to meet both the state's mandates for student performance and achievement, as well as to prepare the children of Oak Bluffs for the new world that awaits them in this new century. For the last several years, the Oak Bluffs School has practiced aspects of social curricula through a model called the *Responsive Classroom*. This year, along with three other schools on the island, we strengthened our use of this model by providing thirty-eight staff with training in *Responsive Classroom* techniques. With professional development initiatives such as this as a basis, the Oak Bluffs School is moving toward becoming a genuine *Responsive Classroom* school, in which its policies and practices regarding student AND adult behavior is guided by the tenets of this important social curriculum.

With the principle in mind, the staff at the Oak Bluffs School continues to build a school culture that reflects teaching and learning applied to all students in all grades across all curriculum areas, collegiality, fairness, equity

OB MCAS: ELA & Math: Grades 3-8



and success. We continue to analyze the contexts and constructs for learning in the important areas of curriculum & instruction, achievement & assessment, and professional development, adapting what makes sense and leaving behind what doesn't. We are engaged in an all-island initiative regarding exploring the need to improve our students' skills in non-fiction writing.

Although the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests continue to be significant and clear priority for the school, we continue to recognize the importance of shared understanding and mutual responsibility for educating the "whole child" as well. This year, for example, we used the first several weeks of school to better understand our students as learners and thinkers, by having each student take part in a **Learning Styles Inventory for Students (LSIS)**, which is designed to assist teachers in identifying individual student learning preferences and styles.

This inventory, which consists of a series of non-timed, computer-scored questions, assesses individual preferences that are key factors affecting student achievement--factors such as motivation, teaching techniques, learning environment, and assessment. It also provides insight into a student's tendency toward activity or reflection during the learning process.

The LSIS was administered to each student in grades 3-8 over the first several weeks of school, scored and assessed by a professional organization, and the OB school was provided with individual student profiles, as well as group reports showing a broad profile of the classroom and school.

How we learn is a fascinating and individual process. These reports will help us to better know and understand our students as learners, and will provide us with some interesting insights into a child's interests, habits of mind and learning behaviors.

Our professional development of teachers and staff here at Oak Bluffs is focusing on teachers learning what they need to know to help underachieving students. We continue to use a professional development program called The Learning Network (TLN) model of school improvement. This model has as its goal the development of an Oak Bluffs School faculty which works together on a path of continual professional improvement. Through this model, the school attempts to improve upon traditional models of support to and supervision of teachers in which instructional staff are provided with consistent, on-going peer support and professional development. The model is designed to redefine good classroom practice, establish a common language for all staff, and build instructional consistency across grade levels and throughout the curriculum.

Our fine arts programs provide students with experience in music, home arts, woodworking, art and dance. The school's drama department put on two musical productions last year for the school community. Our annual talent show displays the special gifts and skills of over eighty of our students each year. And our sports and physical education programs provide exercise and skill-building activities, both competitive and noncompetitive for all students.

With the observance of the school's twelfth year of operation, we continue to address maintenance issues. We have repaired portions of the school's roof, chimney and gutters, removed carpentering from several first floor classrooms to reduce health concerns regarding mold and mildew, replaced the entire outside lighting system with state-of-the-art fixtures, and have embarked upon the installation of an exterior security camera system to provide better security and help eliminate vandalism. Through the generous services of Cape Light Compact and Clean Energy Alternatives, the Oak Bluffs School is now generating its own electricity through the installation and use of photovoltaic panels on our roof. These panels, which were installed over the last month, generate solar energy that helps to reduce our reliance on traditional fossil fuel sources, as well as the amount we spend each month on electricity.

As in past year, we have hired several new staff to classroom positions. We have been extremely fortunate to have attracted highly qualified and dynamic teachers to fill these positions. Our new and reassigned teaching staff this year are as follows:

<b>Position</b>	<b>New Teacher</b>
<b>Victoria Dryfoos</b>	Spanish grades 2-5
<b>Skye Sonneborn</b>	grade 5 assistant
<b>April Anastacio</b>	one on one assistant
<b>Kirkland Beck</b>	one on one assistant
<b>Larissa Bernat</b>	grade 2 assistant
<b>Julie Lakso</b>	kindergarten assistant
<b>Nancy Danielson</b>	grade 3 assistant
<b>Meredith Marsh</b>	grade 4 assistant
<b>Jean Cleary</b>	cafeteria worker

The role of our School Advisory Council (SAC) in guiding our school improvement efforts continues to be important. We have reviewed and revised our school improvement (SIP) goals for this past year, especially those regarding student achievement in literacy and assessment, our work in increasing meaningful parent and community involvement, the implementation of a plan for professional growth and development, and improving how we provide enrichment in curriculum and instruction to all of our students. We also added a goal for designing a model of early academic intervention for students' in grades K-2 this year.

Our ESL (English as a Second Language) program continues to address the complex and significant ESL population at the Oak Bluffs School. We currently provide these services to thirty-nine students under the direction and supervision of **Gina Patti**, with consultation and support from the district's ESL coordinator, **Deb Hart**. Under new state guidelines, the Oak Bluffs School is required to provide "sheltered immersion" instruction to those students with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). Coping with these new requirements continues to be a huge challenge for us.

The **Oak Bluffs School Committee** continues to promote responsible governance and advocacy for the best interests of the children of this fine town. And, the **Oak Bluffs PTO** continues to be an active, engaged and articulate parent/community body.

Finally, I wish to thank you, the residents and taxpayers of Oak Bluffs, for your continuing support and understanding regarding the direction the Oak Bluffs School takes.

Respectfully submitted,

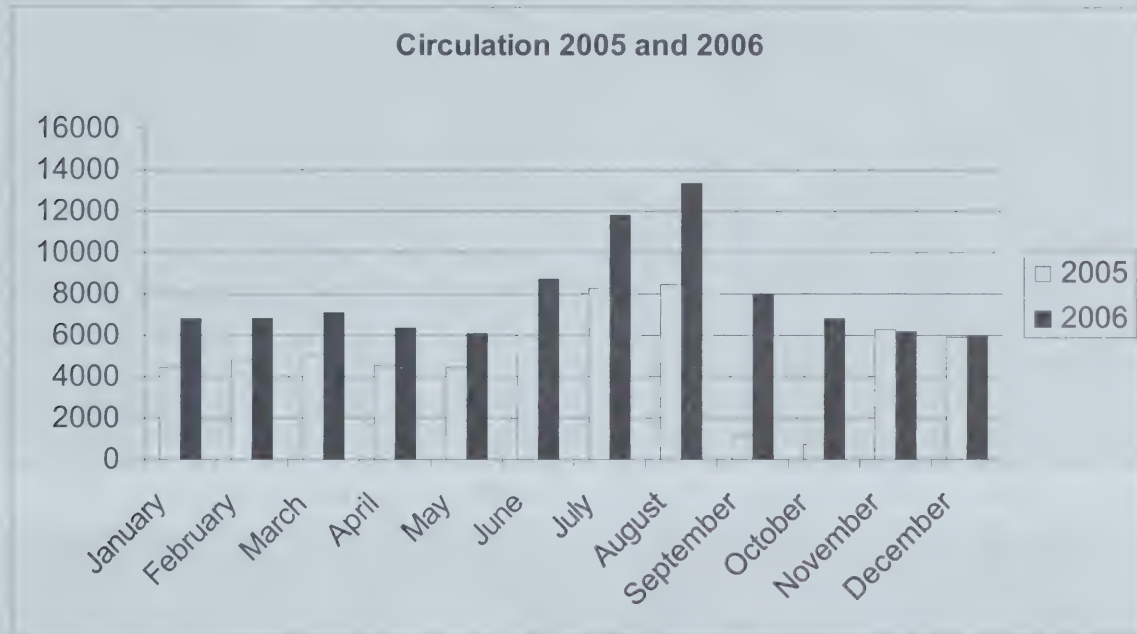
LAURY BINNEY, Principal

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

2006 was the first full year in our new beautiful building. And what a year it was. Circulation of materials increased by 57 percent compared to 2005. The summer months were the busiest, as usual. More than 10,000 visited the library in July and 13,500 in August; 11,839 items were circulated in July and 13,346 in August.

As a result of the number of patron requests for staff to help with computer related tasks the library began offering basic computer help sessions by appointment in May of 2006. The 26 computer help sessions administered in 2006 have included training on topics such as: how to use the library's computers, how to use the mouse, using Microsoft Excel to create a spreadsheet, how to sign up and use an email account, how to research a topic of interest, etc...



The statistics from the library's computer use, website, and individual computer help sessions clearly indicate an increased public demand for technology in the library. During the calendar year of 2006 a staggering number, 28,229, sessions logged on the library's public computers, with patrons using 1,115,925 minutes of available computer time. These figures are even more impressive considering that they do not include wireless access use by library patrons.

Since it "went live" in June of 2006 the library's website, [oakbluffslibrary.org](http://oakbluffslibrary.org), has been visited 2,587 times. The website is an invaluable portal for Oak Bluffs community members, where they can learn about library services, news, programming, and access the library's electronic resources from any place with access to the web. The website's calendar of events has been visited 2,035 times, and the library's online digital photographs have been viewed almost 300 times. As the community's reliance and demand for online services increases, it is imperative that we continue to offer a high quality web presence to our community.

For the fiscal year 2006 the library estimates that there were approximately 6,050 reference inquiries received by library staff. These reference questions encompassed a wide range of topics, from the location of tax documents, contact information for people and businesses, and consumer reports/reviews, to research related questions for students, small business owners, writers, and many other library patrons with a variety of information needs. Another primary function of reference services is to help patrons utilize the online catalog, bibliographic websites, print resources, and other tools for finding library materials. This service contributes to the library's circulation statistics, and resulted in 20 Interlibrary Loan requests being processed to support the information needs and interests of library patrons.

### Programs

A book discussion group, poetry readings, author visits, a weekly coffee hour, series on gardening, on South Asia, and a well attended evening of Wampanoag stories, song and dance were among programs offered for adults in 2006. The library participated in the of One Book – One

Island, a joint program of the Martha's Vineyard libraries and book stores, and hosted an event: Ward Just, the author of *Unfinished Season*, spoke about his book, writing, and answered questions from the audience that had gathered from all over the island.

### Children's Room

The families of Oak Bluffs have been making great use of our lovely Children's Room at the new library. The sunny yellow room continues to be a welcoming space, buzzing with activity from children reading, using the computers, doing homework, playing with the plush toys and puzzles, coloring, and attending fun and informative programs. Our Summer Reading Program more than doubled with 277 children signing up and about 1000 people attending Story Times and programs.

Heartfelt thanks go out to our local merchants whose generosity knows no bounds: Ben & Bill's Chocolate Emporium, Big Dipper Ice Cream, Carousel Ice Cream, Chilmark Spring Water, First Impressions, Flying Horses, Giordano's Pizza, Little Dipper Ice Cream, The Locker Room, Magic Fun House & Andy's Candies, Mary's Linen Store, Murdick's Fudge, MV Gourmet Deli and Bakery, MV Movies, Nautilus, Pomodoro's, Reliable Market, Rose Bud Balloons, Secret Garden, Shore Thing, Sunporch Books, Tease Outlet and Treat Yourself. Our lucky Oak Bluffs children are now much more 'well-read' due to many of these donated reading incentives! These merchants should be proud and be remembered by our local community for their good deeds.

We also thank our special guests who made coming to the library so interesting and entertaining in 2006: Sheila Mudd Baker, Ruth Cochrane, Will Duncan, Bettie Eubanks, Jules Feiffer, Kate Feiffer, John Freeman, Debbie Giuffre, Stacy Hall, Ann Hollister, Kate Hancock, Susan Klein, Ilana Mackin, Eleanor McGrath, Judy Pfeiffer, Sean Sullivan, Linda Wilson and Joan Walsh. The knowledge they shared and the creative spirit they sparked in the children were a joy to behold. Some Story Book characters also visited: Max the bunny from Rosemary Wells' books, Mother Goose, a pirate, Curious George and Pig from Laura Numeroff's books.

All in all, more than 3000 people enjoyed 133 Children's Programs offered by the library this year. Some classes from the school visit regularly and in general the public seems to be savoring and benefiting from all the wonderful things in the Children's Room.

### Long Range Plan

The Board of Trustees at their April meeting decided to establish a planning process to anticipate the changing Library needs. Public Libraries Association's "*The New Planning for Results*" method was chosen, and a consultant from the Southeastern Massachusetts Library System guided the Library through the planning process. The trustees sought broad community representation on the

planning committee. They appointed 12 members representing the community, a trustee, and a representative from the Friends of the Library, two members of Library staff and the Library Director. The committee met twice before holding a community forum in September. It was very well attended, participatory and productive. The forum focused on the participants' vision of the town, and the Library Director reported on the current Library services and trends.

After discussing the library service responses, the participants voted on library service priorities. *General Information*, *Cultural Awareness*, and *Current Topics and Titles* received the most votes. Following the community forum, the Committee met and unanimously accepted the results of the vote from the Forum. They drafted the long-range goals according to the three service responses. Based on the goals, the Director and staff developed objectives, and activities needed to achieve them. The plan was approved by the committee and then by the trustees. It was sent to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, and was accepted. A copy of the plan is available at the library and on our web site.

Thank you to:

Trustees:

Richard Ball, Chair

Karen Achille

Joan Desautelle, Chair until June 2006

Robert Ford, Vice-Chair

Beatrice Green

Ann Ross

Staff: Reference Librarian Mathew Bose, Children's Librarian Irene Tewksbury, Library Associate Rosemary Hildreth, Library Assistants Patricia Duncan, Anita Parker, Pamela Speir and Pamela Melrose; Library Aides Leigh French, Kristina Ivory, Suzanne Mitchell, Louis Becker, Barbara Cassiani, Brenda Horrigan and Linda Wilson. Volunteer shelveers and other helpers: Betsy Abromaitis, Charles Blank, Robert Coe, Anne Cummings, Carol Dell, Will Duncan, E.L. Edwards, Joan Eville, Winnie Eyrick, Morgan Giles, Lorraine Hoggan, and all the authors and other speakers who donated their time and talent to offer programs at the library.

To Crossland Landscape for beautifully decorating the library exterior for holidays.

To all the town departments and especially the Highway department on whom we call often, especially when strong muscle is needed.

Library Friends of Oak Bluffs for their continued support of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

DANGUOLE BUDRIS  
Library Director

**Photos: Forum (Harvey Beth Photos), Friend's party, Children's events.**



Friends Christmas Party



Tobias Wampanoag Program



Giraffe Group



Halloween Parade



LRP Forum



Ruth Cochrane

# HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

## BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

Under Mass General Laws, state and local regulations, and community direction, Boards of Health are responsible enforcing regulations promulgated by the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Public Health. These regulations include, but are not limited to, the State Sanitary Code, Food Code, Title 5, recreation waters, lead paint, pandemic planning, as well as all local bylaws and regulations.

The Oak Bluffs Board of Health is responsible for inspecting all 79 food establishments in the Town. These include 49 restaurants, 8 retail stores, 13 B&Bi, 2 mobile units, 2 theatres, 1 residential kitchen, 1 commercial kitchen, Martha's Vineyard Hospital, Oak Bluffs Elementary School, and Martha's Vineyard Regional High School. It is often necessary to make more than one visit to some establishments in order to assure compliance. In 2006, the total number of initial visits and follow-ups was 206. Other routine inspections include five recreational camps, 2 semi-public swimming pools, and the ice arena.

The department contracts with the Visiting Nurse Service to provide a variety of services to our residents, including health promotion visits to the elderly, new mothers and babies; educational presentations on various health topics, blood pressure clinics, flu clinics and lead screening.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has provided the Town with 22,000 potassium iodide tablets for distribution. In the event of a nuclear incident at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant, taking these pills could protect the thyroid gland from absorbing radioactive iodine. The pills will be distributed throughout the year.

The Health Agent, along with all other Island health agents, continues to be involved in emergency response planning in conjunction with the nationwide Homeland Security mandate. As part of this ongoing effort, a Medical Reserve Corps has been created to coordinate with the existing emergency response teams. The Medical Reserve Corps is federally registered and consists of volunteer healthcare professionals and support staff. More volunteers are needed. Anyone interested should contact Rot MacLaren at 508-645-9265 X121.

A very successful all-island flu clinic was held at the high school on November 10, 2006, with over 2,000

people receiving flu vaccine, pneumonia vaccine and/or tetanus immunization. This clinic also served as a "trial run" emergency dispensing site for the emergency response teams. The many hours spent planning all aspects of a potential disease outbreak requiring mass vaccinations were well-rewarded by the excellent turnout and cooperation of all who either volunteered or were otherwise recruited.

The Board of Health has assumed the oversight of the monitoring of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) related to the septage lagoon at the landfill. This work is being performed by an engineering firm hired by the Town.

Monitoring wells have been in place for several years and are sampled quarterly for evidence of VOCs, with written reports submitted to the Board of Health. The monitoring project has progressed through various phases and the reports indicate a continued decline in the concentration of VOCs. Unfortunately, the anticipated end of the project has been delayed by damage to one of the monitoring wells. This well will have to be replaced and monitoring will continue until four consecutive quarters of data indicate that discontinuation is possible.

The following is a partial list of activities the department was involved in over the last year:

Soil tests	145
Beach tests	61
Food product recalls	49
Miscellaneous permits & licenses	155
Septic inspections	182
Miscellaneous complaints	76
Food establishment inspections	206
Technical Assists	3,846
Trash stickers sold	33,249

Total revenue for 2006: \$172,389.50 (\$124,683.75 from sale of trash stickers is credited to Highway Department revenue)

Total Expenditures for 2006: \$81,837.66

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA MARINELLI, Chairman  
WILLIAM WHITE  
PATRICIA BERGERON  
Board of Health Commissioners

Health Agent: Shirley L. Fauteux  
Administrative Assistant: Nathalie Woodruff

## COUNCIL ON AGING

Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is with great satisfaction and a sense of accomplishment that I make this report on the state of the Oak Bluffs Council on Aging.

I first would like to express my appreciation to the staff, Rose Coglianò and Susan von Steiger, as well as to the many volunteers who generously give their time and contribute their talents, and without whom the Senior Center could not function.

In January we started our new addition, which almost doubles the size of our center. This has added a 30' x 40' Activities Room, a Privacy Room, a full basement and two new bathrooms.

I want to thank Sourati Engineering Group for donating the survey of the property, William Sullivan and Associates for donating their architectural services, and Andy Farrissey, who supplied and installed the pipes and pumps, etc. to hook up our disposal system.

I want to again thank the citizens of Oak Bluffs for appropriating the money for this new addition. I also thank Richard Combra, Jr., the Highway Superintendent who, along with Charlie Danielson, the Town Carpenter and the rest of the talented workers, completed the addition.

The use of the senior center and the number of activities during this past year has increased. Some of the regular activities offered at the Senior Center and numbers attending include:

### MONTHLY – January-December 2006

Bingo .....	211	SHINE .....	69
Blood Pressure Clinic .....	139	Line Dancing .....	53
Mens and .....		Social Security .....	261
Ladies Luncheon .....	334	Twelve Disciples of	
Hearing Clinic .....	64	Mandela film screening	81

### WEEKLY – January-December 2006

Breakfast .....	381	Morning Coffee .....	1,542
Chair caning .....	170	Quilting .....	259
Computer Use .....	517	Watercolor .....	114
Conversations .....	822	Woodcarving .....	362
Fish Distribution .....	383	Exercise with Bill .....	402
Ladies Bridge .....	203	Exercise with Floyd .....	287
Ladies Bridge Lessons .....	383	Exercise with Sue .....	441
Men's Cards .....	249		

### ACTIVITY WITH OUR OUTREACH DIRECTOR

Incoming Calls .....	870	Woodside .....	4
Outgoing Calls .....	905	Doctors .....	41
Office Visits .....	403	Pharmacy .....	27
Home Visits .....	290	Post Office .....	141
Hospital Visits .....	18	Shopping .....	215
Windemere .....	11		

Elder Services Convention ..	3
VNS .....	11
Elder Services .....	22
Community Services .....	22
Clinics .....	11

Last August we had a pot luck luncheon to recognize three individuals for their devotion to the senior center. They were Susan Collinson, William White, and Floyd Lifton. All three performed weekly exercise programs at the senior center at no cost. Those attending the luncheon included Michael Dutton, our Town Administrator and Russell Smith, the Island liaison for Representative Eric Turkington. The three honorees received citations for the State House of Representatives and the State Senate.

Special thanks go to Glenna Barkan and the women of the Quilting Group this year, who raised approximately \$4,000 which will be used to provide seniors with assistance with their fuel costs and medical expenses. This year has seen a substantial increase in the cost of fuel. The Council on Aging is the organization responsible for providing fuel assistance for qualified individuals 55 years of age and older, living in Oak Bluffs. In addition to the funding received through the South Shore Community Action Council, we made application and received a generous grant of \$2,000 from an Island endowment fund. Additional funding has been provided by the quilting group and nearly \$600 from the Thanksgiving Day Road Race.

The Council on Aging maintains an emergency notification list. In the event of an emergency such as a hurricane or major snow storm, all the listed seniors are contacted to determine if they are in need of assistance.

During the year we had many gatherings at the center and the center was used by many community groups.

Of all our parties, the Christmas party far outshone the others. We had over 120 children and seniors attend. Everyone received a gift from our special guest and the kindergarten and second graders from the Oak Bluffs Elementary School performed their seasonal songs wonderfully. The children were accompanied by their music teacher, Brian Weiland, on the guitar and we all listened to and sang Christmas carols accompanied by Phil Dietterich on the piano. We give them our sincere thanks.

Our staff and volunteers have a wealth of knowledge and information to share with those needing help. As always, the constant support and recondition we receive from our townspeople inspire us to continue providing the highest quality of care for our community.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. WEY,  
Director, Oak Bluffs Council on Aging

## ISLAND COUNCILS ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Island Councils on Aging Inc., (ICOA) is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) organization governed by a board of directors consisting of appointed representatives from each of the four Town Councils on Aging (with Up-Island combining the towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark and West Tisbury). The ICOA Board and staff work with the Directors and Boards of each of the Town Councils on Aging as well as Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands, Inc., and other local service organizations to maintain and develop programs that meet the growing and changing needs of seniors on Martha's Vineyard. Our mission is to promote health, independence and life-long learning.

ICOA seeks out funding for and supervises the use of grants and funds from federal, state, county and/or local governments and other sources for programming and services to benefit all Island elders. In addition, all six towns, through their respective Councils on Aging, contribute to the ICOA operating budget and programs. The level of local municipal support is determined proportionally by population of those 60+ in each town. In FY06, in addition to local municipal support, ICOA received \$15,500 in grants, donations and other state, federal and local charitable funds to support these regional services.

The ICOA Director works closely with town Council on Aging staff, Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc., and other municipal and private agencies to develop and provide services in the community setting that will promote health, independence and the aging in place concept. Our goal is to enable seniors to remain in their homes as active community participants as long as possible by assuring the availability of a continuum of supportive services to individuals, their families and caregivers.

The following are programs and services for which the Island Councils on Aging was responsible in FY2006:

**Information and referral:** The 55PLUS Times supplemental section published in the Martha's Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month. Through the combined efforts of the ICOA Director, Council on Aging Directors and staff, Elder Services and other contributors, the 55PLUS Times provides comprehensive information pertaining to programs and services available to Island seniors and their families.

**Taxi Service to off-Island medical appointments:** Through a grant from Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands and donations from participants, a taxi service provides Island seniors with transportation to medical appointments in Falmouth, Mashpee and Sandwich. This service operates 7 days a week, picking elders up at the Woods Hole ferry terminal and taking them directly to

their appointment and returning them to Woods Hole when their appointment is completed. Since October of 2003 this service has carried over 200 elders and disabled clients to their medical appointments. In FY2006 clients donated over \$1950 back to the program. These funds go to direct support for the continuance of the taxi program.

**Home Delivered Holiday Meals:** The holiday home delivered meal program provides a meal to seniors who are alone and/or homebound on the Thanks-giving, Christmas and Easter holidays. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages approximately 50 meals on each of these holidays, which are picked up and distributed by volunteers to homebound elders. The four local Councils on Aging coordinate the volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns.

**Supportive Day Program:** In January, 2006 the Island Councils on Aging office moved to the Anchors Senior Center in Edgartown and in July 2006, the Island Councils on Aging Director took over the position as Director of the Supportive Day Program, in addition to the regular duties as ICOA Director. Several new staff members were hired bringing new talents and creativity to planning and programming for clients. FY2006 saw growth and many positive changes in the Supportive Day Program. This growth, although welcome and expected, puts an increased burden on the staff and physical plants of the Edgartown Senior Center and the Tisbury Senior Center, the two sites where the program operates. Looking ahead to FY2007, considering projected future growth and needs of the Supportive Day Program, Island Councils on Aging will endeavor to seek an alternative and permanent site to house this vital regional program. Due to space constraints and the need for Edgartown and Tisbury seniors to have full use of their senior centers, ICOA has made the goal of moving the Supportive Day Program to its own separate location a priority. ICOA is working closely with the Town Councils on Aging and other local town officials to make the best plan for the future needs of the Supportive Day Program.

**Older Americans Act:** The Elder Services Nutrition Programs, under the Older American Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers, located at the 4 Senior Centers), are supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the Island Councils on Aging budget. In FY2006, the towns on Martha's Vineyard contributed a combined total of \$36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program.

**Regional Lunch Program:** ICOA coordinates with the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a full course gourmet meal at reasonable cost for seniors once a month in the Culinary

Arts dining room at the High School. The High School String Quartet students provide music for these events. This is a popular social event and a wonderful learning experience for both the students and seniors. During the school year, between 30 and 40 seniors attend these events on a monthly basis, and for \$10 - \$12 per person, enjoy a wonderful 3 course meal, prepared and served by the Culinary Arts students.

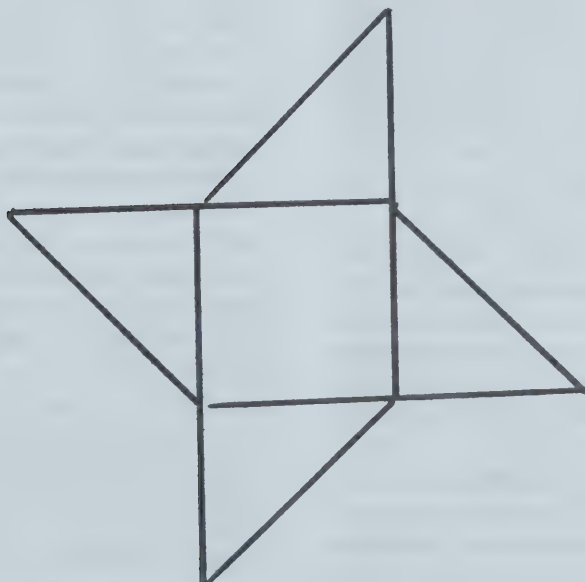
**Emergency Food Pantry Program:** Martha's Vineyard has five emergency food pantries; four Senior Centers and the Island Food Pantry (located at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). ICOA is responsible for coordinating the ordering, pick up and delivery of monthly shipments of surplus food from the Greater Boston Food Bank to the pantries. The surplus food program strives to provide a variety of free nutritious foods to needy Islanders of all ages. The Edgartown and Oak Bluffs Highway Departments, and the Tisbury Dept. of Public Works volunteer a truck and personnel on a rotating basis, to make the monthly trips to Harwich for pick up of the food supply. The Steamship Authority supports this program by offering free passage for this trip. Recent years have seen a growing number of struggling families seeking the food provided through this program. In FY2006, approximately 2,420 cases of food were distributed through the food pantries on the Island. Some of

these cases were purchased, for a total cost of \$7,998.92. This far exceeded the amount spent to purchase food over the previous years because the availability of free food through the Greater Boston Food Bank has significantly decreased. To meet demand, additional food is purchased through the Greater Boston Food Bank at reduced cost. Island Councils on Aging received a \$1000 grant from Project Bread through the Walk for Hunger and a \$500 donation from the Vineyard Committee on Hunger to offset the cost of food. The surplus food program serves an average of 275-300 Islanders per month.

**FEMA:** ICOA receives and allocates Federal Emergency Management Administration funds. These funds are used to assist low-income seniors with overdue utility bills and rent or mortgage payments when other resources have been exhausted. In addition, some FEMA funds are allocated to purchase emergency food for the food pantries. In FY2006, \$3,368 was allocated to the Island Councils on Aging for these purposes. These funds were used to pay \$2,770.17 in overdue utility bills, and to purchase \$470.68 in emergency food.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE CLAPP, Director  
Island Councils on Aging



## ELDER SERVICES OF CAPE COD AND THE ISLANDS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc. is a private not-for-profit community-based organization. Since 1972, we have been dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of elders and assisting them to maintain maximum independence and dignity. We are the federally designated Area Agency on Aging and the Commonwealth's designated Aging Services Access Point for Martha's Vineyard. Elder Services also hosts the federal Corporation of National Services' Senior Service Corps.

A snapshot of 2006 reveals

- Our Home Care Program continued to provide care management and purchase in-home support services. State funds totaling \$414,940 were obtained and used to purchase homemaking, personal care assistance, chore and adult supportive day care services for Island elders from local service providers.
- One hundred thirty-eight (138) individuals received Meals on Wheels; 26,123 meals were delivered to homes or served at local Senior Centers. A new microwavable Meals on Wheels container was introduced - to the delight of our participants.
- The Older Americans Act Needs Survey was completed locally; a Public Hearing confirming survey findings and establishing funding priorities was held in Tisbury in May.
- Grants were awarded by Elder Services to continue essential local services – The Elder Law Project, Islands Councils on Aging's transportation service to Cape medical services, and Vineyard Health Access Program's "Senior Assistance Plan" were funded for FY07. The Tisbury Council on Aging received Older Americans Act funding to initiate a Respite Care Program in October 2006. The Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head also received federal funding to provide supportive services for tribal members.

Elder Services uses federal, state, town and private funds to provide services and maintain programs. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of the Councils on Aging and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We are proud of our accomplishments, appreciate the value of the community support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively to meet the challenges of the future.

### PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Information and Referral: The Elder Services Information and Referral service is a central source of information about elder resources and support on Cape Cod and the Islands.

Community Grants: As the Area Agency on Aging (AAA), we are responsible for the ongoing assessment of the needs of elders in the twenty-two towns on the Cape and Islands.

Services funded by the AAA are available to area seniors regardless of income and include in-home counseling, legal and transportation services.

Protective Services: Provide 24-hour assistance to elders subjected to physical or emotional abuse, neglect or financial exploitation. The Elder-at-Risk program supplements Protective Services by intervening with individuals who are neglecting their own care.

Home Care and Respite Care Programs: Home Care services assist elders in the community setting. Respite Care services assist the caregiver(s) of elders. To qualify, residents must be 60 years of age or older (unless there is a diagnosis of Alzheimer's) and must meet financial and frailty eligibility requirements.

Family Caregiver Support Program: We support family caregivers through information, advocacy, and education. We connect caregivers to existing community services that meet their needs and the needs of their care recipients. In-home and telephone assessments are performed to evaluate the caregiving needs in a family; when desired, a plan is developed to guide the caregiver in preserving their own health and well-being while continuing to serve the care recipient's needs.

Senior Nutrition Program: The Senior Nutrition Program is composed of two interrelated components: Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers. Both components of the program combat the social isolation experienced by so many elders while at the same time providing a well-balanced meal.

Money Management: Provides assistance to elders experiencing serious money management problems.

Mature Worker Program: Provides training and part-time employment to income eligible individuals who are at least 55 years old. The employment assists and expands community services and gives work experience and training to participants.

Nursing Home Ombudsman: Regular visits are scheduled by certified advocates to assist residents of long term care facilities in resolving difficulties they may have with the facility.

Long Term Care Screening: Determines medical eligibility for those planning to enter nursing homes or Adult Day Health programs. A screening is required when Medicaid will pay for services.

Senior Service Corps: Recruits and places elders (age 55 and older) into projects such as.

- Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, which places volunteers in public and private not-for-profit agencies, and
- Senior Environment Corps, which engages volunteers in environmentally based initiatives.

Respectfully submitted,

JACQUE CAGE

Martha's Vineyard Director

# PLANNING AND LAND USE

## MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

2774 acres, representing 4.5% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the Land Bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries.

### Acquisitions

Ten preserves and reservations were created or expanded in 2006:

(1.) Protecting roadside fields has long been a priority for the Island's land planning agencies; *Blue Barque Preserve* is the latest such project for the Land Bank.

(2.) Adding 8 acres to the *Gay Head Moraine* accomplished two goals - it expanded an existing reservation and laid more track in the Land Bank's effort to create a cross-Aquinnah trail.

(3.) Of all of the Land Bank's properties, *Moshup Beach* is the most popular. The purchase of 8 acres here adds some 400 feet of prime Atlantic shorefront to Moshup Beach's existing 1155 feet, and spares scenic Moshup Trail from more architectural intrusion.

(4.) Unlike sister Nantucket, whose topography barely ripples, Martha's Vineyard has plenty of high hills with exciting, long-distance waterviews. One of the best has now been conserved for enjoyment by the public - the *Ocean View Farm Preserve*. Remarkable as well was the generosity of neighbors - Elizabeth Bailey, Michael Fabrikant and the Abel's Hill Association who agreed to donate trail easements so that the preserve can link to the Fulling Mill Brook Preserve (owned by the town and Land Bank) and the Middle Road Sanctuary (owned by the Sheriff's Meadow Foundation), for an extended hiking circuit.

(5.) Almost 500 feet of beach - 215 feet on the Edgartown Outer Harbor and 280 feet on the Cape Poge Pond entered public ownership at the *Three Ponds Reservation*. In addition, the Land Bank purchased a strategic one-acre lot,

as part of a cooperative trail plan in the environs of the reservation.

(6.) An active roadside sheep pasture was protected on the Middle Road in Chilmark, increasing the size of the *Tiasquam River Reservation* by some 8 acres. Agricultural lands will always figure prominently among the Land Bank's goals.

(7.) The *Toad Rock Preserve* is only a year old but already the Land Bank has doubled its size. It now comprises six acres of ridgeline sitting atop the Moshup Trail conservation area, with long-distance views of Noman's Land Island and the Squibnocket Pond and Atlantic Ocean.

(8.) Farmland at the head of the Tisbury Great Pond's Muddy Cove was protected via the acquisition of an agricultural preservation restriction over *Uncle Leonard's Farm*. The land remains privately owned but must be used for agriculture only. This particular restriction surpasses the ordinary version as, in addition to limiting the property to farm use, it also grants to the Land Bank an option to purchase the scenic declivities extending north of the cove, plus a limitation on any future resale price so as to remain affordable to farmers.

(9.) The *Wapatequa Woods Preserve*, located astride the Oak Bluffs - Tisbury town line, exemplifies the Land Bank's efforts at property assembly; something that starts out small can bloom into a significant open space for public enjoyment. Now at 110 acres, with the addition of 13.7 acres in 2006, the preserve has grown significantly since the first purchase of 20 acres in 1988.

(10.) In most any town anywhere, the four corners of its central intersection would have long ago been claimed for commercial and other development. On the Vineyard, three of the corners at the blinker light in Oak Bluffs are now conserved as part of the *Weahtaqua Springs Preserve*. Two had been earlier conserved and in 2006 the Land Bank purchased a conservation restriction over the third, from the Island Housing Trust Corporation, a local affordable housing entity.

Additional details about the above acquisitions follow:

Property	Seller	Town	Acres	Price
(1.) <i>Blue Barque Preserve</i>	Daniel Leventritt	Chilmark	8.0	\$ 875,000
(2.) <i>Gay Head Moraine</i>	Clair Waterbury	Aquinnah	8.6	\$ 250,000

	<u>Property</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Price</u>
(3.)	<i>Moshup Beach</i>	Joan Higbee	Aquinnah	8.0	\$ 2,250,000
(4.)	<i>Ocean View Farm Preserve</i>	Jonathan Leavy	Chilmark	18.1	\$ 7,025,000
(5.)	<i>Three Ponds Reservation</i>	Judith Murphy	Edgartown	7.4	\$ 3,550,000
		Peter Plumb		12.1	\$ 2,000,000
		Elizabeth Villard		1.1	\$ 200,000
(6.)	<i>Tiasquam River Reservation</i>	Susan Kluver	Chilmark	8.5	\$ 915,985
(7.)	<i>Toad Rock Preserve</i>	Victoria Brown	Aquinnah	2.6	\$ 315,000
		Russell Smith		0.6	\$ 700,000
(8.)	<i>Uncle Leonard's Farm</i>	James Athearn	West Tisbury	21.1	\$ 1,200,000
(9.)	<i>Wapatequa Woods Preserve</i>	Thomas Feeney	Oak Bluffs	6.3	\$ 825,000
		Stuart Rapp, commissioner	Tisbury	7.4	\$ 600,000
(10.)	<i>Weahtaqua Springs Preserve</i>	IHTC	Oak Bluffs	0.6	\$ 15,714
				110.4	\$20,712,699

In addition, the Land Bank continued to purchase partial interests in properties across the island.

### **Land Management**

Ecological inventories and studies continued at many Land Bank properties: Horatio Norton Farm; Manaquayak Preserve; Southern Woodlands Reservation; Three Ponds Reservation (expansion); Tiasquam River Reservation; Tisbury Great Pond Beach; and Toad Rock Preserve. A revised management plan for the Manaquayak Preserve was completed and approved by the commonwealth with conditions.

The management plan for the Blackwater Pond Reservation was approved and the property was opened to public use. It contains two miles of new trails, plus two viewing platforms and a 30'-long fishing pier. Trails were also opened at Tea Lane Farm, connecting the Middle and Middle Line Roads; two acres of black locust were removed - the resulting field was seeded with pasture grasses (so as to be useable for farming) and the trees were milled for use as boardwalks on other Land Bank properties.

Fields were restored or enhanced at the Chilmark Pond Preserve; Gay Head Moraine; Peaked Hill Reservation; Poucha Pond Reservation; and Sepiessa Point Reservation.

A management plan for the Tisbury Great Pond Beach was approved by the West Tisbury Town Advisory Board. The Land Bank commission is expected to approve it in early 2007, so that the beach can be open for public enjoyment in the summer of 2007.

Ongoing maintenance continued on various Land Bank properties across the island.

### **Cross-Island Hike**

The Land Bank's fourteenth annual Cross-Island Hike took place on National Trails Day, which is the first Saturday in June. This year's route started in the morning at the Long Point Wildlife Refuge in West Tisbury and finished in the late afternoon at Jetty Beach on East Chop in Oak Bluffs, a distance of 16.3 miles.

### **Gifts**

The Land Bank gratefully accepted a \$25,000 gift from the Chappaquiddick Open Space Committee.

### **Reimbursements**

The Land Bank received \$13,382.15 from the commonwealth to reimburse it for (1.) construction expenses associated with the universal access trail, fishing pier and boardwalks at the Blackwater Pond Reservation (\$11,988.66); and (2.) maintenance expenses associated with the pond access road at the Pecoy Point Reservation (\$1,393.49).

### **Budget and Related Matters**

The following chart synthesizes the Land Bank's annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the Land Bank office:

	fiscal year 2006 budgeted	fiscal year 2006 actual	fiscal year 2007 budgeted
	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total
administrative expenses	\$ 397,158 4.16 %	\$ 338,875 2.51 %	\$ 428,618 4.51 %
land management expenses	\$ 595,857 6.24 %	\$ 552,653 4.09 %	\$ 618,473 6.51 %
debt service expenses	\$ 3,918,262 41.03 %	\$ 2,835,261 21.00 %	\$ 3,781,014 39.80 %
reserve expenses	\$ 30,000 0.31 %		\$ 30,000 0.31 %
surplus revenues	\$ 4,608,737 48.26 %	\$ 9,769,847 72.40 %	\$ 4,641,895 48.87 %
	\$ 9,550,000 100.00 %	\$ 13,496,636 100.00 %	\$ 9,550,000 * 100.00 %

Surplus revenues are combined with accumulated surplus revenues from previous years, receipts from bond issues and return on investments; these monies are available for new land acquisitions. As of December 31, 2006 the Land Bank treasury contained some \$21,255,000

for these purposes; the Land Bank is currently in active negotiations to purchase various properties whose aggregate value exceeds \$46,000,000.

The asterisk (\*) indicates the Land Bank's projection for revenues between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007.

### Transfer Fee Revenues

2006 transfer fee revenues were:

	transfer fee revenues received January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006	percent of total
Aquinnah Fund	\$ 113,790.66	1.0%
Chilmark Fund	\$ 747,863.13	6.4%
Edgartown Fund	\$ 2,540,746.91	21.7%
Oak Bluffs Fund	\$ 818,248.87	7.0%
Tisbury Fund	\$ 867,890.25	7.4%
West Tisbury Fund	\$ 756,949.83	6.5%
Central Fund	\$ 5,845,489.65	50.0%
	\$ 11,690,979.30	100.0%

This represented a 7.1 decrease over the previous year.

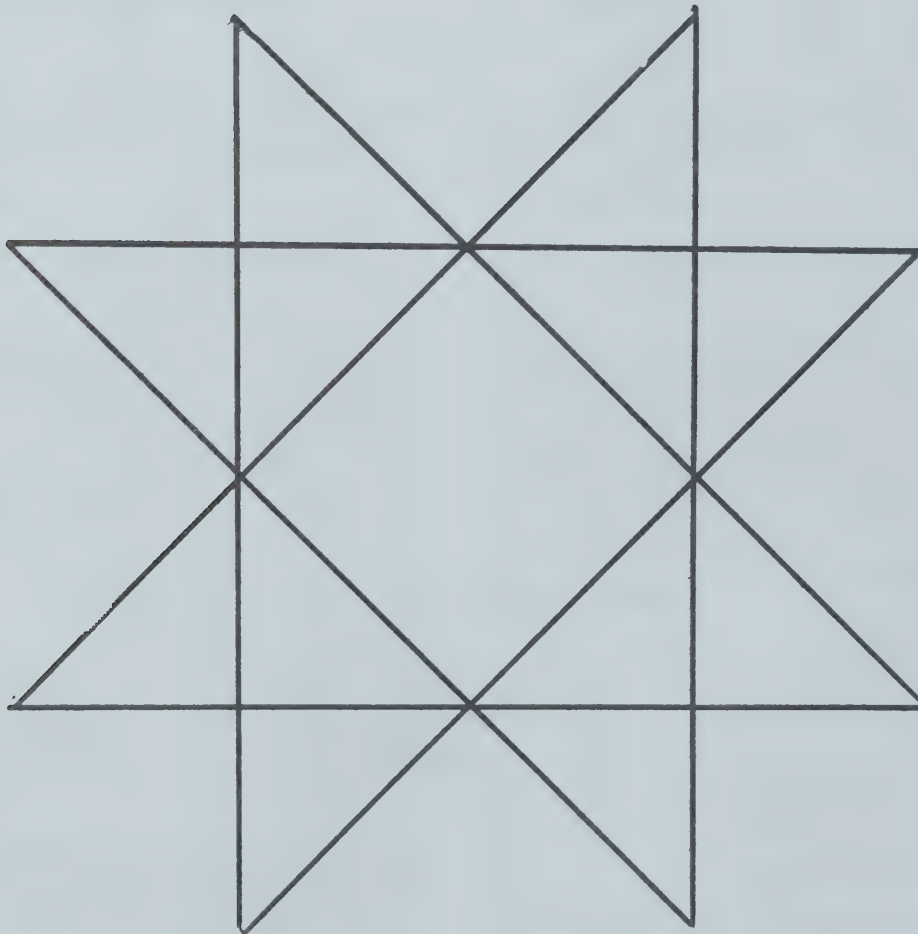
### Commissioners and Staff

The Land Bank commission comprises the following members: Pamela Goff, Chilmark; Glenn Hearn, West Tisbury; Carlos Montoya, Aquinnah; Edith Potter, commonwealth; Thomas Robinson, Tisbury; Priscilla Sylvia, Oak Bluffs; and Edward Vincent, Jr., Edgartown. The year-round Land Bank staff comprises the following individuals: Matthew Dix, foreman; James Dropick, conservation land assistant; Maureen Hill, administrative

assistant; Jeffrey Komarinetz, conservation land assistant; Cynthia Krauss, fiscal officer; James Lengyel, executive director; Julie Schaeffer, ecologist; and Vernon Welch, conservation land assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LENGYEL  
Executive Director



## MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

In 2006, the Martha's Vineyard Commission – the Island's regional planning agency – moved ahead with the preparation of the Island Plan and several other efforts to plan for a better future for the Vineyard, as well as carried out its mandate to regulate developments of Island-wide impact.

**The Island Plan:** The Island Plan is the most important planning effort in the Vineyard's history. Its mission is to chart – in simple but compelling ways – a course to the kind of future that the Vineyard community wants and design a series of actions to help us navigate that course. The Island Plan will set the stage for local decision-making concerning a whole range of issues such as water quality, housing, traffic and transportation, open space, growth, and economic opportunities.

- A Steering Committee – set up to oversee both the content and the process of the plan – spent the first part of 2006 outlining the planning process, identifying the issues and topics to be dealt with, organizing public involvement and identifying studies to be undertaken. During the fall, the Committee focused on setting up work groups on various topics, and in 2007 will tackle a number of “Big Ideas/Issues”.
- So far, over three hundred Vineyarders have joined the Network of Planning Advisors to closely follow the planning process and to give their input at key times through surveys, forums, work groups, and other planning activities.
- More than three hundred people responded to two surveys, either on-line, at town libraries, or at the Ag Fair.
- Two large forums were held during the summer to get public input on overall goals.
- Five Work Groups were set up to focus on objectives and strategies in specific topic areas: Energy/Waste, Housing, Livelihood/Commerce, Natural Environment, and Water Resources. Five more will be set up in 2007.
- The Island Plan set up an extensive website – [www.islandplan.org](http://www.islandplan.org) – which helps coordinate distribution of information and documents, and allows exchange between participants through on-line forums.
- A broad public awareness campaign about the Island Plan included information flyers distributed to all Vineyard homes, exhibits around the Island, regular newspaper articles and television coverage, and outreach to various organizations and individuals.
- A forum on Strengthening the Local Economy was one of several related activities.

Many Island Plan activities are broadcast on MVTV. Minutes of all meetings are available on the website. All Vineyarders are invited to get involved by signing up on the website or calling the MVC.

**Transportation:** The Commission facilitates the Joint Transportation Committee, which meets monthly to coordinate transportation efforts on the Island and to schedule Transportation Improvement Projects, funded by MassHighway. Oak Bluffs representatives on the Committee were Mimi Davisson and Deborah Pigeon.

- Last year, considerable effort went into the triennial update of the Island's Regional Transportation Plan which will be completed in early 2007.
- The MVC carried out a detailed analysis of five options for possible improvement to the intersection of Barnes and Edgartown/Vineyard Haven roads (the Blinker); the Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen decided to move ahead with construction of a small roundabout, to improve safety and ease congestion.
- The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee outlined a series of short-term improvements, some of which were implemented in 2006; and helped identify the priority improvements to the Island's system of multi-user (bike) paths.
- The Commission continued to support the work of the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge Committee, set up at the request of the towns of Oak Bluffs and Tisbury to represent the Vineyard community with respect to MassHighway's proposal to replace the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge.
- The Commission analyzed the results of a 2005 origin-destination study and extensive traffic counts that had been carried out at various locations in Edgartown, and outlined options to be analyzed for possible improvements to the Triangle / Upper Main Street area.
- The Commission also conducted traffic counts throughout the Island.

**Emergency Planning:** The MVC is coordinating preparation of a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan, which will enable Island towns to seek funds for implementation of projects designed to reduce losses of life and property in the event of a natural disaster. MVC staff met with town emergency managers to begin producing the plan. MVC staff gathered data and produced maps of critical facilities and compared their locations with hurricane and flood data to determine risk. In 2007, the planning group will draft the mitigation plan, identifying projects for potential funding.

**Economic Development:** The MVC published a series of Data Reports on the Vineyard's population, housing, and economy. The Commission continued to help coordinate

efforts to promote locally grown agricultural and aquacultural products. The MVC continues to work with the South Eastern Economic Development Corporation and various Island entities in sponsoring free entrepreneurial workshops.

**Water Quality:** The Commission continued to carry out extensive water testing of Island coastal ponds with a view to having them qualify for inclusion in the Massachusetts Estuaries Project, which will carry out detailed modeling of ponds to indicate how extensive water quality problems are, and how effective various possible improvement measures would be. The Commission is an active participant of the Martha's Vineyard Water Alliance and participated in many presentations to help increase public awareness of water quality issues; some of these were related to a ballot question supporting greater efforts to protect fragile coastal ponds, which was passed in all four towns where it was on the ballot.

**Affordable Housing:** The Commission and the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority assisted the towns in their update of their Chapter 40B Subsidized Housing Inventory. In March, the MVC and the Massachusetts Community Preservation Coalition co-sponsored a workshop that provided town's Community Preservation Committees and other town boards with tools and strategies to effectively implement the CPA.

**Area Planning:** The MVC played a lead role in a collaborative effort to plan the area north of the High School as the Island's main recreational and community campus, including the arena and proposed YMCA.

**Island-wide Cooperation:** The Commission coordinated regular meetings of all Island Planning Boards, Conservation Commissions, public and private non-profit affordable housing groups, and GIS users, promoting the exchange of issues and ideas across town boundaries and providing informational opportunities with the use of guest speakers. The Commission also hosted several courses and information sessions on a variety of topics of interest to town officials, the business community, and to members of the general public, including a workshop on *Writing Reasonable and Defensible Decisions* and one on *How to Hold the Perfect Public Hearing*.

**DRIs:** In addition to its planning work, the Commission continues to invest considerable time and effort in its regulatory reviews of Developments of Regional Impact. This review generally results in considerable improvements to projects to mitigate their environmental, traffic, and other impacts on the Vineyard. In 2006 the Commission reviewed 38 projects of which 11 were approved with conditions, none were denied, 9 were remanded back to their town without DRI review, 4 were withdrawn, 5 were granted extensions, 3 are on hold, and 5 are in progress. At the end of 2006, the MVC unanimously approved the Martha's Vineyard Hospital's expansion proposal after

Commission review led to a range of improvements to the various aspects of the proposal including parking, wastewater treatment, impact on abutters, architectural design, and landscaping.

In order to make it easier for applicants and the public to understand how the MVC reviews proposals, the Commission is publishing a series of DRI policies on various topics. In 2006, an Open Space Preservation Policy was adopted, and a draft Water Quality Policy was prepared, both with the financial assistance of the Executive Office for Environmental Affairs.

**DCPCs:** A taxpayer nomination to create a District of Critical Planning Concern for the Mullen Way neighborhood in Edgartown was not approved, though the MVC agreed to take up concerns expressed about protection of traditional neighborhoods. An amendment to the Aquinnah DCPC regulations regarding facilities for wireless communications was found to be in conformance with the District's guidelines, thus validating the legal status of the amendments.

### **Specific Activities for the Town of Oak Bluffs**

#### **WATER RESOURCES**

- MVC staff conducted water quality sampling in Farm Pond and Sengekontacket Pond. A total of 50 water samples were collected for analysis at the University of Massachusetts School of Marine Science lab. MVC staff coordinated with UMass personnel to sample Oak Bluffs Harbor and Lagoon Pond.
- Staff ran a trial third-phase eelgrass-seeding project in three locations in Sengekontacket Pond to test a simple method to restore eelgrass beds. The Friends of Sengekontacket and the Vineyard Open Land Foundation funded this project. MVC Staff assisted the Shellfish Department with mapping eelgrass bed coverage in Farm Pond.
- Staff monitored water table levels in 2 wells on a monthly basis. The Water Resource Planner assisted the Oak Bluffs Shellfish Department in collecting 8 ground-water samples around the perimeter of the Lagoon to assess nitrogen concentration.
- MVC Staff prepared a report on water quality samples collected from Fresh Pond in 2005. The depth of Upper Lagoon Pond was surveyed at about 100 points to prepare a contour map that will indicate the volume of the Pond.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

- MVC staff participated in MEPA review of projects in Oak Bluffs, including the proposed renovations to the SSA terminal and proposed beach nourishment for a private residence on East Chop. MVC staff participated in site visits and submitted comments.

#### DEVELOPMENTS OF REGIONAL IMPACT

The MVC reviewed the following Developments of Regional Impact for Oak Bluffs in 2006:

- The Lookout Tavern - Withdrawn
- The World Revival Church - Approved with Conditions
- The Bird's Nest Cottage - Withdrawn
- 21 Kennebec Avenue - Approved with Conditions
- Martha's Vineyard Hospital - Approved with Conditions

More detail about these activities as well as the ongoing work of the MVC is available on the Commission's website: [www.mvcommission.org](http://www.mvcommission.org).

Respectfully submitted,

MIMI DAVISSON,  
Oak Bluffs Elected Member-at-Large

DEBORAH PIGEON,  
Member appointed by the  
Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen

MARK LONDON  
Executive Director

# VARIOUS REPORTS

## DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Residents of Oak Bluffs:

The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority provides affordable year-round rentals and rental assistance, homebuyer training and lottery support, waitlist management, monitoring services, advocacy and collaboration with town committees, Island organizations, local businesses and concerned individuals working to create the housing options needed to maintain our Island community.

This past year in Oak Bluffs, the Housing Authority effort assisted on **lotteries** for 2 homes developed by the Island Housing Trust and 6 Town provided Resident home Sites; administered 17 fundraised **Rental Conversion Program** subsidies; continued property management of the **Lagoon Heights Apartment**; supported the **Resident Home Site Committee** in its planning for future rental and ownership opportunities and participated in the Town's new **Community Preservation** process.

Elsewhere on the rental front, the Housing Authority offered a total of 57 units of **rental housing** under its management; began oversight of 30 **Accessory Apartments** in West Tisbury; administered rental assistance to 54 households through the **Rental Conversion Program** (funded by the Island Affordable Housing Fund with additional support from the Chilmark Community Preservation Committee); purchased and began extensive rehabilitation of a 9 apartment complex on **Franklin Street** in Tisbury; supported Edgartown in their development of the **Pennywise Path** apartments and Chilmark in its preparation of rental housing at **Middle Line Road**; maintained a **Rental Housing Waitlist** numbering close to 300 applicants; and partnered with other organizations that offer assistance with rent, utilities and apartment rehabilitation to Island renters and their landlords.

The Housing Authority's support of affordable homeownership this year included assistance with the 2 lotteries in Oak Bluffs and planning for upcoming lotteries in Edgartown, Chilmark and Tisbury. We offer assistance with the establishment of lottery criteria, participant certification, lottery preparation and execution and Homebuyer Education trainings. We maintain the **Island Affordable Homebuyer Clearinghouse** to publicize homebuyer opportunities and the **Martha's Vineyard Subsidized**

**Housing Inventory** to assist in assuring future protection of existing affordability restrictions. This year the Inventory was used to assist Tisbury and West Tisbury in their assessments of value of affordable properties in their towns.

The Housing Authority was active throughout the year in Oak Bluffs and the towns of Edgartown, Tisbury and West Tisbury as they established **Community Preservation Committee** processes that offer a new opportunity to pursue town housing, conservation and preservation goals. We participated in the trainings and public hearings that resulted in this past fall's application schedule and have submitted proposals for housing rehabilitation and development as well as town funding of Rental Conversion Program subsidies modeled on Chilmark and Aquinnah's current use of their CPA funding.

The Housing Authority also manages the **Vineyard Housing Office** on State Road in Vineyard Haven as a clearinghouse for rental and homeownership opportunities and a focus for Islanders working together on housing issues. The VHO currently is home to the Housing Authority, the Island Housing Trust, the Island Affordable Housing Fund, Habitat for Humanity of Martha's Vineyard, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Martha's Vineyard and offers a redesigned website, [www.vineyardhousing.org](http://www.vineyardhousing.org) as a comprehensive resource for affordable housing on Martha's Vineyard.

The DCRHA Board of Directors:

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LINDA JOHNSON, *Administrative Coordinator*  
JAMES O'BRIEN, *Property Manager*

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Oak Grove Cemetery is an important asset to the Town of Oak Bluffs. Visitors, historians and citizens use it for a glimpse into the past, a pleasant landscape of calm and reflection, as well as a final resting place for residents.

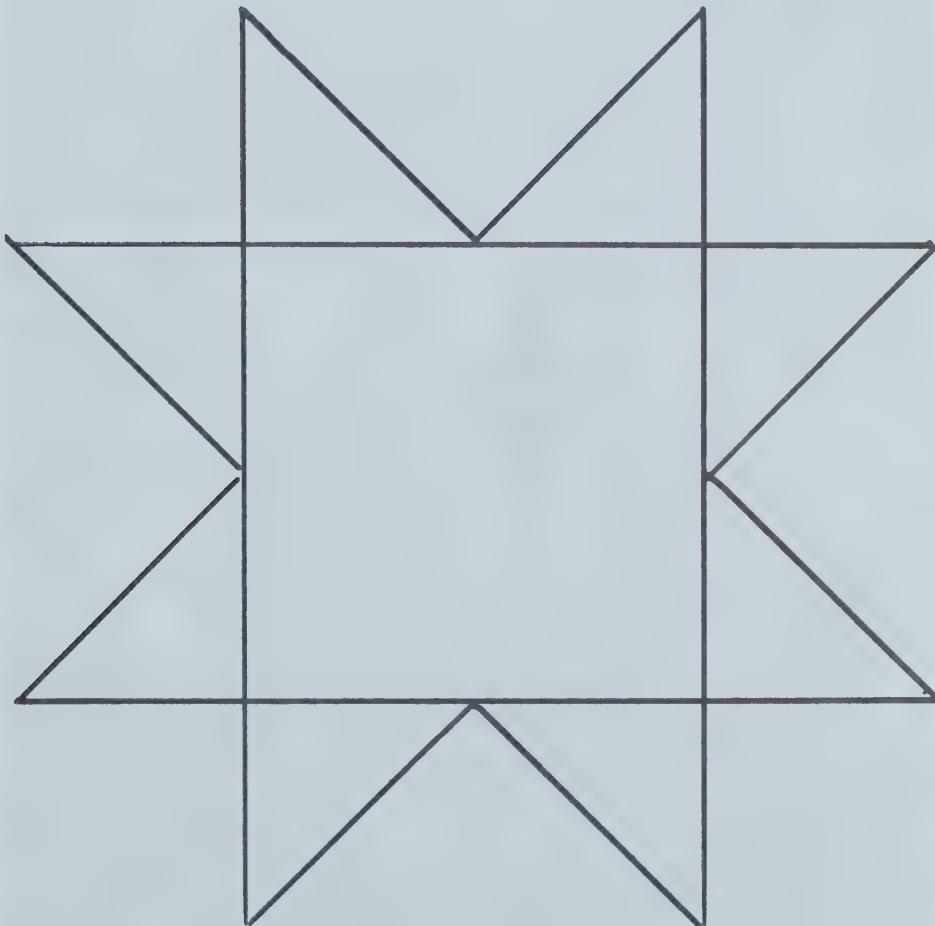
This year Gail Landers planted over 275 geraniums for Memorial Day. She continues to be assisted by the Highway Department personnel with additional landscaping and tree limb removal. A new riding mower was purchased in July.

Six quarter lots and one cremation lot were sold and there were nine burials in 2006.

We would like to thank Gail Landers and the Highway Department personnel for their hard work in the upkeep of Oak Grove Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE B. LAW III, Chairman  
JAMES MASEDA



## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen:

This year, the Oak Bluffs Historical Commission (OBHC), with the support of the Demolition Delay By-Law, was able to preserve an important part of Oak Bluffs history.

The owner of the house at 10 Dorothy West Avenue, located in the heart of the Highlands, and listed by the Martha's Vineyard Historical Society as "The Bird's Nest Cottage", requested permission to demolish the cottage in order to build a more modern house to fit their family needs.

By invoking the powers of the Demolition Delay By-Law and with an assist by the Martha's Vineyard Commission, the OBHC was able to work with the owner to devise a plan that would preserve the historic portions of the building and provide a new addition that would take

care of the family space needs adequately.

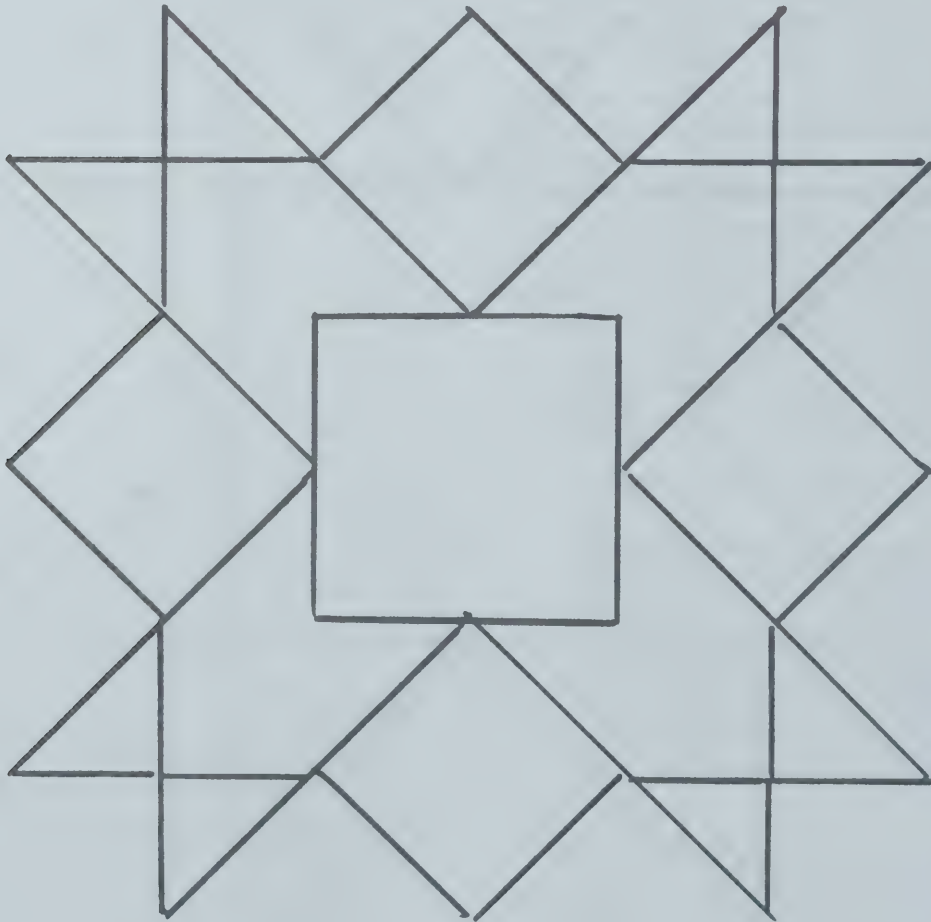
There were several demolition cases before the commission this year. All were resolved without any problems.

The OBHC was the recipient of a grant from the North Family Foundation that will allow us to print 20,000 copies of the popular Historic Walking Tour of Oak Bluffs. We are indebted to Mr. Norton and his family for this generous donation.

Members who served on our commission this year are Priscilla Sylvia, secretary, Joyce Dresser, Pam Melrose, Alison Shaw, Susan Thompson and David Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,

RENEE BALTER, Chairman



Original photo of "Birds Nest Cottage" Credit: ulwick affiliates, historic images



## MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council is part of the Massachusetts Cultural Council's Local Cultural Council program, formed a quarter century ago. The MVCC's mission is to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences for the purpose of improving the quality of life for all of the Island's residents.

In the summer and early fall of 2003, the Boards of Selectmen of the six Island Towns created the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council by combining what had been six Local Cultural Councils into a single regional organization. Each Town appointed three representatives to the newly formed Island-wide Council, which met formally for the first time in November 2003 to re-grant State funds allocated to the six-Town region.

The annual grant meeting on November 5, 2006 was the MVCC's fourth. With a grant application postmark deadline of October 16, an 18-member deliberative body met for six hours little more than two weeks later, with disapproval letters sent seven days after that, and approval packages mailed in early December. It quickly becomes apparent that much of what the Council members do happens during a short, intense period in the fall.

Applicants in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences can find instructions, program guidelines and forms at [www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org), as well as at each Town Hall. The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council gives priority to projects originating on, and for the benefit of, the Island community.

A grant applicant not based on the Vineyard must have a local partner or host, and off-Island applicants should include a letter of support from their Vineyard sponsor describing how the project would benefit the Island community. In addition, the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council grants priority to events scheduled to serve primarily the year-round population.

The Council was most fortunate in 2006, having been in receipt of \$24,000 from the Commonwealth for local re-granting. [Compare to the 2005 figure of \$15,000.] Moreover, the Towns of Chilmark, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury donated \$1,500, \$500, \$1,000 and \$2,000, respectively.

Altogether, the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council received 41 applications in 2006. The Council rejected 11 of them outright due to lack of the proper forms, absence of the required budget presentation, a failure to meet the submission deadline or an off-Islander's having no Vineyard sponsor. Of the 30 applications considered at the grant award meeting, all but three were at least partially funded, with a total of \$30,025 granted, with the individual

amounts depending on both need and adjudged merit.

The projects approved and funded by the MVCC in 2006 were as follows:

### History/Natural History

Martha's Vineyard Museum, <i>Free at Five</i>	\$ 1,100
African-American Heritage Trail of MV, <i>Linking Communities</i>	\$ 1,440
Oak Bluffs School Third Grade, <i>Visiting Pilgrim from Plimoth Plantation</i>	\$ 180
Oak Bluffs Public Library, <i>MV History Series</i>	\$ 255
Marine & Paleo Research Institute, <i>Ancient Sealife Lecture/Exhibit</i>	\$ 360

### Art

Scott Campbell, <i>Wood-Fired Kiln Firing</i>	\$ 660
Rhonda Hershey, <i>Seasonal Transformations</i>	\$ 300

### Theater

The Vineyard Playhouse, <i>Fall Workshop Productions</i>	\$ 1,915
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### Puppets

April Thanhauser, <i>Puppetry Festival</i>	\$ 855
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### Dance

Children in the Arts of MV, <i>Nutcracker Gala</i>	\$ 760
Abby Bender, <i>Built on Stilts</i>	\$ 2,450
The Yard, <i>Multi-Cultural Residency</i>	\$ 2,375

### Music

Island Community Chorus, <i>Holiday Concerts</i>	\$ 1,265
Martha's Vineyard NAACP, <i>The MV NAACP Spirituals Choir</i>	\$ 1,455
KCT Concerts, <i>Traditional Music Concert Series</i>	\$ 2,050

### Photography

Center for Creative Expression, <i>Wednesday Group</i>	\$ 1,765
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### Film and Video Production

Kate Feiffer, <i>Matzo &amp; Mistletoe</i>	\$ 1,155
Cleonice Niki Patton, <i>I Hear Voices</i>	\$ 780
Matt Taylor, <i>From Up Island</i>	\$ 2,415

### Film Screening

Silver Screen Film Society, <i>MV International Film Festival</i>	\$ 1,315
Silver Screen Film Society, <i>Film Society Programming</i>	\$ 1,165

**Poetry**

Fan S. Ogilvie, *Featherstone Poetry Reading* \$ 1,670

**Language/Life Stories**

Lynn Ditchfield, *Creative Self-Expression Class for Seniors & ELL* \$ 410

Scott Jameson, Contact:  
*Magic of Communication Block Booking* \$ 290

**PASS Grants**

Oak Bluffs School Third Grade,  
*Trip to Plimoth Plantation* \$ 640

MV Public Charter School,  
*American Textile History Museum* \$ 515

MV Public Charter School,  
*Actors' Shakespeare Project* \$ 485

**Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council Membership****Aquinnah**

Jean Entine  
Kathy Newman  
Carrie Vanderhoop

**Oak Bluffs**

Sandra Grymes  
Francine Kelly  
Holly Nadler

**Chilmark**

Chris Dreyer  
Bonnie George  
Dawn Greeley, Co-Chair

**Tisbury**

Wiet Bacheller, Treas.  
Dolly Campbell  
Joanne Horgan, Chair

**Edgartown**

Nis Kildegaard  
John Walter  
Pia Webster, Secretary

**West Tisbury**

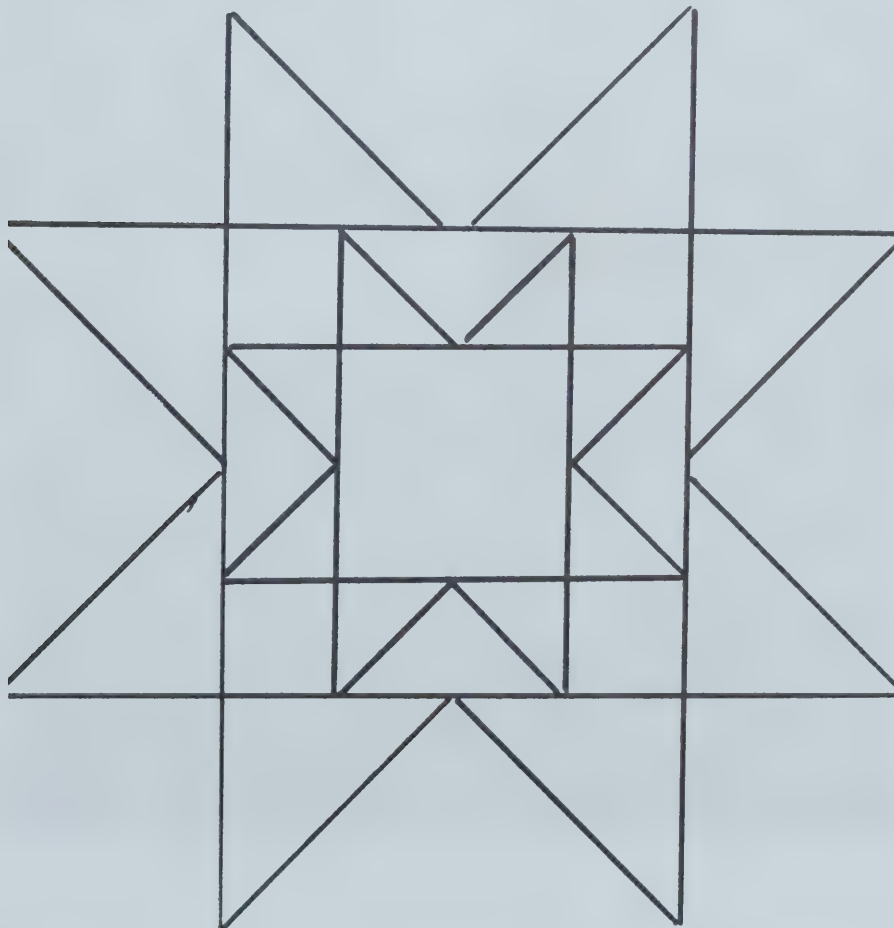
Leslie Baker  
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Ann Miller Maley

Respectfully submitted,

JOANNE HORGAN, Chair

**Ex-Officio**

Cathy Lewis  
Dan Waters



## CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Cape Light Compact was formed in 1997 following two years of study and votes of town boards of selectmen and town council. It is organized through a formal inter-governmental agreement signed by all 21 member towns and Barnstable and Dukes counties. The purpose of the Cape Light Compact is to advance the interests of consumers in a competitive electric supply market, including the promotion of energy efficiency. Each participating municipality has a representative on the Compact Governing Board, which sets policy and works with staff, technical and legal support to advance the Cape Light Compact programs.

### POWER SUPPLY

In 2005, the Cape Light Compact (Compact) provided energy to residents and businesses in accordance with a competitive electricity supply contract negotiated by the Compact with ConEdison *Solutions*. Although prices were initially high as a result of hurricanes Katrina and Rita in late 2005, the Compact continually worked to lower prices throughout the year. Commencing in July, prices for all customer rate classes were reduced by 1 cent per kWh in order to lower electricity bills for the remainder of 2006.

In addition, the Compact was able to reduce electricity prices for all of the town's municipal accounts as a result of a separate procurement of energy in the spring of 2006. These reductions, effective in April 2006, saved between 25% and 30% on electricity bills for the town's municipal buildings, schools, and other town related facilities. While these savings were not seen directly on consumers' individual electric bills, these savings flow through to all taxpayers in the town as a result of lower tax bills.

Competition for consumers was more fully realized in 2006 as more competitive suppliers came into the market

to serve residential as well as commercial and industrial accounts. The Cape Light Compact supports a competitive market for all consumers as was envisioned by the Electric Restructuring Act of 1997. As of December 2006, the Compact had 3,880 electric accounts in the Town of Oak Bluffs on its energy supply.

### ENERGY EFFICIENCY

From January to November 2006, rebates and other efficiency incentive programs provided to the town of Oak Bluffs by the Compact totaled approximately \$29,290 brought savings to 125 participants of \$13,007 or about 86,715 kilowatt-hours of energy saved for 2006.

Funding for the energy efficiency programs<sup>1</sup> (i.e. energy audits for homes and businesses, rebates on the purchase of energy efficient appliances and energy education in our schools) comes from a monthly customer "energy conservation" charge (\$0.0025 cents multiplied by the number of kilowatt hours used during the month) that appears on each customer's electric bill.

Other Cape Light Compact Efforts Include:

- The Cape Light Compact brought energy education to the Town of Oak Bluffs. Education support included 2 programs and 20 students, parents, and teachers.
- One solar panel at the Oak Bluffs School as part of the Solarize Our Schools campaign to sign up 3% of the occupied households in each town. Congratulations!
- Two Low-Income homes retrofitted for a reduction in energy usage and increased comfort.
- Lighting retrofit at the Oak Bluffs Water District.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE BUTLER  
Oak Bluffs Representative

## MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

To the Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

In the spring of 2005, the Island Towns voted in favor of funding a two year pilot program that will provide public transit service to all of the VTA's established fixed route corridors on a year-round basis. Instead of running six routes during the off-season, the VTA ran twelve routes during the 2005-2006 off-season. Fiscal Year 2006 was the first year of the pilot program and I am pleased to announce its success.

Fiscal Year 2006 the VTA saw an overall 7% increase in passenger boardings over FY 2005, which can be primarily attributed to the first year running twelve off-season routes and the continued growth of off-season ridership. Passenger boarding analysis shows a 21% increase in the FY06 off-season ridership from FY05.

I would like to thank our operating company, Transit Connection, Inc., and their employees for their continued commitment as we now go into our fifth year of operation together. Collectively, we have made major improvements to the overall operation of our transit system. I would also like to express my appreciation to all of the Town and local

boards for their cooperation and support, as well as my staff for their devout commitment to providing quality public service. And of course, I must thank the community and our passengers for their continued support of the VTA.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELA E. GRANT  
Administrator

### Advisory Board

Alice Butler, Chairman  
Oak Bluffs

E. B. Collins, Clerk  
Edgartown

John Alley  
West Tisbury

Leonard Jason  
Chilmark

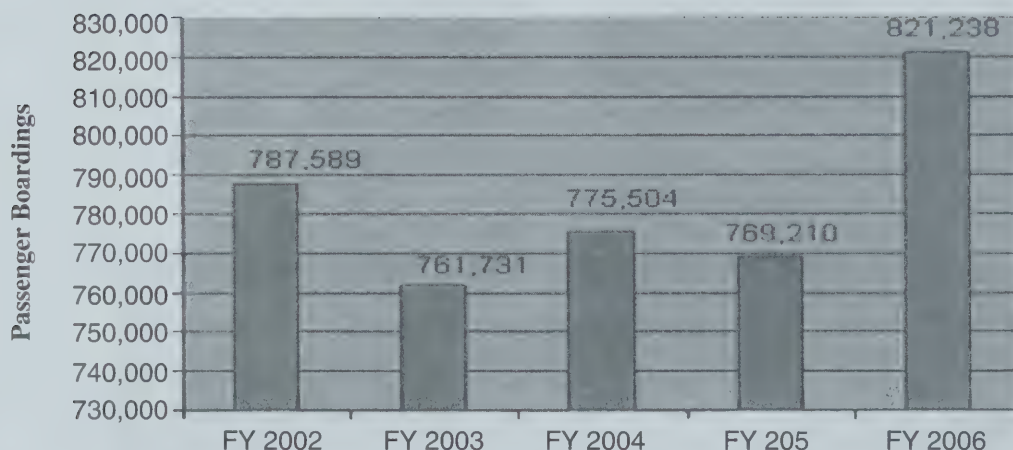
June Manning  
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Connie Teixeira  
Tisbury



**Passenger Boardings By Month  
FY 2002 through FY 2006 Comparison**

	<b>FY2002</b>	<b>FY2003</b>	<b>FY2004</b>	<b>FY2005</b>	<b>FY2006</b>
July	243,198	227,574	216,983	200,671	210,985
August	257,000	246,420	228,092	214,511	235,088
September	86,371	79,761	83,448	89,664	103,252
October	29,969	32,364	40,334	44,558	39,553
November	7,674	6,188	10,659	12,894	14,846
December	4,949	6,740	7,221	9,173	11,121
January	4,300	4,593	6,114	7,008	9,954
February	4,848	3,823	6,694	8,013	9,471
March	6,405	6,194	7,898	10,741	12,450
April	13,098	12,943	16,943	17,843	21,832
May	38,587	39,849	48,520	43,891	53,129
June	<u>81,190</u>	<u>95,282</u>	<u>102,598</u>	<u>110,243</u>	<u>99,557</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>787,589</b>	<b>761,731</b>	<b>775,504</b>	<b>769,210</b>	<b>821,238</b>



**“The Lift”**

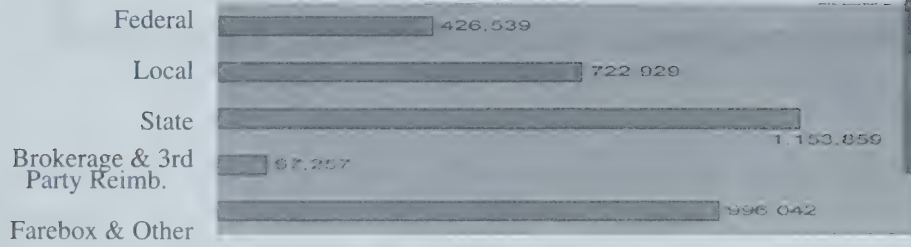
The Martha’s Vineyard Regional Transit Authority provides year-round paratransit service to the Island’s six (6) towns. The VTA also provides weekly van service to

Boston area medical facilities. The following is a breakdown of *Lift* trips by purpose:

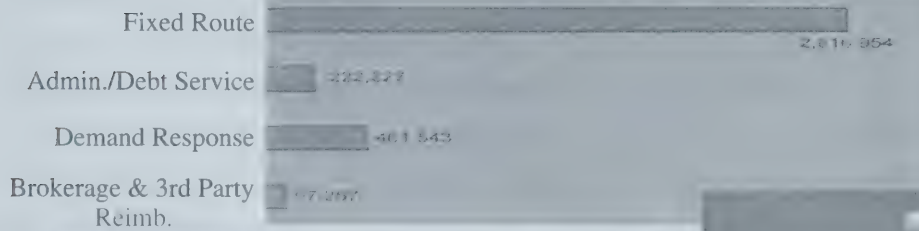
<b>Trip Purpose</b>	<b>Trips</b>
Medical	3,332
Nutrition	1,353
Social / Recreational	7,517
Shopping / Other	1,166
<b>Total Trips</b>	<b>13,368</b>

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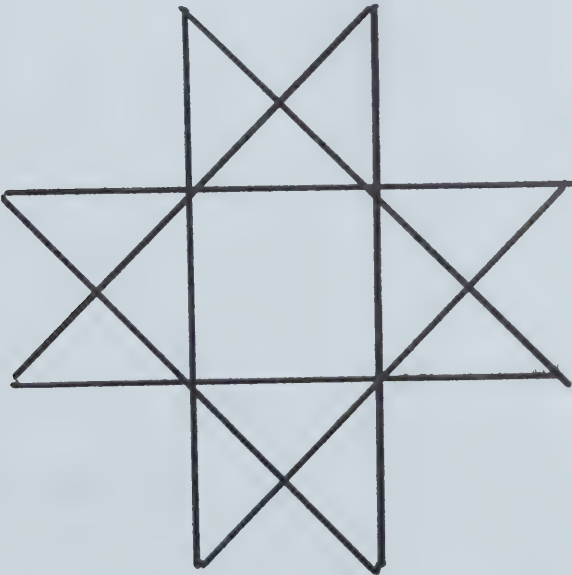
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# Telephone Numbers

All offices in **Town Hall** can be accessed by dialing **508-693-3554**, the operator will list the extensions by Department and individual name.

The offices outside Town Hall are as follows:

Ambulance	508-693-5380
Animal Control	508-693-0857
Fire Department	508-693-0077
Highway Department	508-693-0072
Council on Aging	508-693-4509
Harbormaster	508-693-9644
Highway	508-693-0072
Library	508-693-9433
Parks Department	508-693-6535
Police Department	508-693-0750
Shellfish Department	508-693-0072
Wastewater Department	508-693-0343

**Fax number is 508-696-7736**





